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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

STEAM TO ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, PLYMOUTH, LONDON, BRINDISI, VENICE, TRIESTE, AND MARSEILLES.

PROGRAMME OF DEPARTURES.

Vessels.	Tons	H. P.	Captains.	FRIDAY 1885.
L. TASMANIA	4488	800	R. B. Hasselwood	23rd Oct.
—ASSAM	3038	500	S. F. Cole	3 th "
L. PESHAWUR	3800	600	L. H. Moule	6th Nov.
M. ROME	5013	1000	G. F. Cates	13th "
L. CLYDE	4121	800	E. M. Edmond	20th "
—GWALIOR	2753	500	F. Harris	27th "
L. HYDASPES	2984	500	G. Scrivener	4th Dec.
M. PARRAMATTA	47 9	900	W. D. Anderson	11th "
L. ANCONA	3128	60	R. G. Murray	18th "
—NIZAM	2726	500	W. J. Webber	25th "

The steamers marked L proceed direct to London via Malta and those marked M via Marseilles. By the others passengers for London change vessels at Suez. All London steamers call at Plymouth.

A steam-barge will leave the Company's Dockyard, Mazagon, at 3 p. m., on the day of sailing to convey passengers on board.

STEAM TO COLOMBO, STRAITS, CHINA, JAPAN, AND AUSTRALIA.

Vessels.	Tons.	H.P.	Captains.	On 1885.
MALWA	2959	500	G. W. Atkinson	30th Oct.
MIRZAPORE	3887	600	R. Harvey	13th Nov.
CATHAY	2663	500	J. P. Hassall	27th "
NEPAUL	3598	600	T. J. Alderton	11th Dec.

Return Tickets are now issued at greatly reduced rates to all ports, for particulars of which apply to

G. F. JOHNSON,
Acting Superintendent P. & O. S. N. Company.

Bombay, October 14, 1885.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

BRINDISI ROUTE.

THROUGH TICKETS from BOMBAY to LONDON *viâ* Brindisi, including the Continental Railway Fare, are now issued on favorable terms; and return tickets available for three and six months. Tickets can also be obtained which allow passengers to travel 1st class by the steamer and 2nd class by rail from Brindisi to London.

MARSEILLES ROUTE.

STEAMERS leave BOMBAY for MARSEILLES and LONDON direct every four weeks (see general advertisement), and the voyage to the former port is accomplished in 19 days in fair weather (21 days during the Monsoon). The Railway journey from Marseilles to London occupies about 27 hours.

Fares to London, by the sea route or *via* Marseilles, including the Railway Fare across the Continent:—

First Class, Rs. 620. Second Class, Rs. 370.

Coupons for the Railway journey must be taken before leaving India.

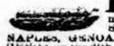
Return Tickets are also issued, for particulars of which and all other information on the subject, apply to

G. F. JOHNSON,
Acting Superintendent P. & O. S. N. Co.

Bombay, March 27, 1885.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA

SOCIETA RIUNITE FLORIO RUBATTINO.



THE Regular Mail-steamers leave BOMBAY on the 1st of each month at noon, calling at ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, GENOA, and MARSEILLES, starting from GENOA on the 24th of every month for BOMBAY.

FARES to all Ports of Italy and Marseilles, Rs. 550, Rs. 380, Rs. 190, for First, Second, and Third Class, respectively, inclusive of Wine. Infants are allowed free. Children over three and under ten years, half fare. Families will be allowed liberal discount.

Passengers' heavy Baggage will be delivered in LONDON, FREE OF CHARGE, to the extent allowed in the steambooks.

A discount of 35, 20, and 10 per cent. is allowed to Passengers returning within three, six, and twelve months, respectively, from the date of LANDING.

The following or other First Class Steamers will leave Bombay:—

	Tons. H.P.	
MANILLA	5,000 850	1st Nov. 1885
CHINA	5,000 850	1st Dec. 1885.
RAFFAELE RUBATTINO	5,000 850	1st Jan. 1886.

Steam Launch leaves Apollo Bunder between 10 and 11 a.m. on the day of Sailing, with Passengers and their Baggage.

Through Railway Tickets available for 17 days to London *viâ* Calais or Brighton, both from Genoa and Naples, are issued here.

For Handbooks of information and other particulars apply to

F. BOZZONI,
Agent.

Sassoon House, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN

LLOYD'S S. N. Co.

REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS

BETWEEN BOMBAY, BRINDISI, AND TRIESTE, *VIA* CANAL.

Steamers.	Captains	Tons.	H. P.	To sail 1885
ORION	C. Mersa	3,500	550	2nd Nov.
PANDORA	G. Mettel	3,500	550	2nd Dec. 1885.
AMPHITRITE	C. Lazzarich	4,500	600	2nd Jan.

A Surgeon and Stewardess on board of every Steamer.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY.

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	Deck.
TRIESTE OR BRINDISI	Rs. 500	Rs. 300	Rs. 130

RETURN TICKETS are now issued available for SIX MONTHS at the following rates:—

	1st Class.	2nd Class.
TRIESTE OR BRINDISI	Rs. 800	Rs. 480

Above rates include Wines supplied at meals.

Steamers for BOMBAY leave TRIESTE on the 1st and BRINDISI on the 3rd of each month.

The Company's steam launch will be in attendance at the Apollo-bunder on the day of sailing to convey passengers and their luggage to the steamer, free of charge.

STEAM TO COLOMBO, PENANG, SINGAPORE AND HONGKONG.

Steamer.	Captain.	Tons.	H.P.	To sail 1885.
AMPHITRITE	C. Lazzarich	4,500	600	29th Oct.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

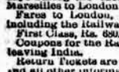
For further particulars, freight, passage, &c., & apply to

O. VON HOFFER,
Acting Agent.

Sassoon House, 50, Church-gate-street, Bombay.

September 29, 1885

CLAN LINE OF STEAMERS.



THE following sailings have been arranged:—

BOMBAY TO LONDON DIRECT.

Steamer.	Tons.	Comdrs.	About 1885.
CLAN OGILIVE	2,450	G. Nelson	30th Oct.

BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL DIRECT.

Steamers.	Tons.	Comdrs.	About 1885.
*CLAN MURRAY	2,100	E. Worfolk	23rd Oct.
" FORTH	2,450	J. A. Guard	2nd Nov.
" MACDONALD	2,650	Wm. Miller	13th "
" MUNROE	2,250	H. H. Betteley	22rd "
" CAMERON	2,450	F. Ereaut	3rd Dec.
" BUCHANAN	2,900	H. T. Mayes	13th "
" GRAHAM	2,350	C. Alexanderson	23rd "
" MACKENZIE	2,950	Wm. Elliott*	4th Jan. 1886

* These steamers do not carry passengers.

Passage Money, Rs. 4-50.

To be followed by other first-class steamers at regular intervals.

Each steamer carries a properly qualified Surgeon and Stewardess, and Wines can be had on board at moderate prices.

The steamers have excellent accommodation for first-class passengers.

For further particulars, apply to

FINLAY, MUIR & Co.,
Agents.

Bombay, 15th October, 1885.

Rs. 25.—For Rupees Twenty-five we send to any part of India, free of Postage and Packing charges, one of our crystal-faced

CELEBRATED ORIGINAL CAMPAIGN WATCHES.

The Watches are so well known for their decided superiority that we need not further dwell on their merits. Guarantee two years.

FAVRE-LEUBA AND CO.

Beware of Imitations sold under similar names at much cheaper rates. We do not supply these Watches to the trade.

FOR SALE.

1—REVENUE ENHANCEMENTS.

BY

W. WEDDERBURN, Bom. C. S.

PRICE EIGHT ANNAS.

May be had at the office and at the book-sellers.

SHIPPING.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited)

Intend to despatch Steamers as follows:—

FOR KURRACHEE AND KATTYWAR COAST.

S. S. "EUPHRATIS," 803 tons, on FRIDAY, 23rd October, 1885, at 11 a.m., calling at Veraval, Mangarole, Porbunder, and Cutch Mandvie, weather permitting.

FOR KURRACHEE AND PERSIAN GULF.

S. S. "ASSYRIA," 1,495 tons, on Monday, 19th October, at 11 a.m. (unless delayed by non-arrival of outward English Mail,) calling at Kurrachee, Gwadur, Muscat, Jask, Bunder Abbas, Lingah, Bushire, Fao, and Busreh, in the foregoing or any order, weather permitting.

FOR COAST AND CALCUTTA.

S. S. "SIRDHANA," 2,661 tons, on WEDNESDAY, 21st October, at 4 p. m., calling at such ports as may be arranged. Particulars can be ascertained on application to the undersigned.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co.,
Bombay, 10th October, 1885. Agents.

HALL LINE OF STEAMERS.

BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL DIRECT.

THE following Sailings have been arranged:—

	Capt.	Tons	H.P.	On or about
S.S. MORTON HALL	Barnes	4,100	500	7th Nov. 1885.
S.S. HYDAL HALL	Buck	2,700	400	25th "

Each Steamer carries a Surgeon and Stewardess.

For further particulars apply to

EDWARD BATES & Co.,
Agents.

Bombay, 6th Oct. 1885.

THE s. s. "CLAN OGILVIE" has arrived from GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL, and is discharging in the Prince's Dock.

Matches, oil, acids and other inflammable articles must be removed as they are landed, failing which they will be exposed at consignees' risk and subject to removal to the combustible shed at their expense.

CONSIGNEES are requested to present their BILLS of LADING for our countersignature, and to TAKE DELIVERY of their goods without delay.

All claims should be presented to the Captain of the steamer, by whom all such are payable before the sailing of the steamer, otherwise none will be entertained by him.

SIR CHARLES FORBES & Co.
Agents inward for s.s. Clan Ogivie.

Bombay, 14th Oct., 1885.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BEST MOCHA COFFEE,

ROASTED and ground by a first-rate London Roaster, in hermetically sealed tins of 1lb. each

Cash, Re. 1-2.

TREACHER & COMPANY, Ld.

BOMBAY CHUTNEY,

Prepared with the purest and finest ingredients at their Manufactory, Byculla, is indisputably the best condiment of its kind in India.

Per Bottle, Cash Re. 1.

TREACHER & Co. (Ld.)
BOMBAY, BYCULLA AND POONA.

CHOICE INDIAN TEAS

FROM THE

KOUSANIE TEA COMPANY, Limited.

THE KOUSANIE TEAS are the choicest of all Indian Teas, they are grown in the District originally selected by the Government of India for inaugurating the growth of Tea in India, and for superiority of quality have grained TWELVE MEDALS and TEN PRIZES at Exhibitions in India, England, and Paris.

CASH PRICE LIST.

KOUSANIE MIXTURE, a well-known specialty from the Kousanie Gardens.	1 lb. pkt. per pkt.	1 6
	2 lb. pkt. per pkt.	2 12
	5 lb. catties per catty	6 12
SOUCHONG, Finest in 2 lb. packets	per packet	2 12
PEKOE, Finest in 2lb. packets	per packet	3 0
HYSON, Young (green)	1 lb. packet	1 10
ORANGE PEKOE, Finest	"	1 10
TREACHER'S OWN MIXTURE.	1 in 1 lb. pkt. per packet	1 0
	1 in 2 lb. pkt. per packet	2 0
* TREACHER'S HOUSEHOLD broken leaf Tea	a small per lb.	0 10

Special Wholesale Terms to the Trade.

Sole Agents for the Bombay Presidency,

TREACHER & CO., Limited,

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FOR SALE, MANILLA and OILED COIR ROPE and CORDAGE. Apply to

OWEN & OKELL,
Agents to W. H. HARTON & Co., Calcutta.

Apollo Street, Bombay.

POLO PONIES.

1 g c b p Bulbul Rs. 200.
2 r c b p Strawberry Rs. 300.
3 ch c b p Firefly Rs. 200.

The above are all first class polo ponies and took part in the recent tournament. Ponies all go in harness.

No. 2 is particularly good harness pony.

Nos. 2 and 3 good jumpers.

No. 3 winner of many Gymkhana chases.

Apply to owner, Lt. TISDALL, R. A., Colaba.

BOMBAY, BARODA AND CENTRAL INDIA RAILWAY.

TENDERS are invited and will be received up to the 21th instant, for the construction of proposed NEW GOODS SHED at Dadhoi and PORTERS' and POINTSMEN'S QUARTERS at Bhadurpur, on HIS HIGHNESS the GAEKWAR'S RAILWAY. Plans, specifications and conditions of contract may be seen at the office of the Chief Engineer of this Company.

The Agent does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

W. S. S. BISSET,
Agent.

Bombay, dated 10th October, 1885.

ELASTIC SILK GOODS.

Manufactured expressly for us and warranted to stand wear in a Hot climate better than any other similar goods obtainable in India.

PHILLIPS & COMPANY, Ld.,
Chemists to His Excellency the Governor,
BOMBAY AND POONA.

Anklets	per pair, Rs. 5-0.
Knee Caps	per pair, " 6-0.
Stockings	per pair, " 9 and 10.
Wristlets	per pair, " 4-8.

ELASTIC SILK GOODS.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Commissary of Ordnance, Bombay, up to 27th October, 1885, for the supply of IRON to the Commissary of Ordnance, Bombay, from 1st November, 1885, up to the 31st March, 1886. The term "more" includes the supply of stores if required up to 25 per cent. in excess of the original tender.

II.—Printed forms of "Lists or Schedules" of the stores (more or less) for the supply of which tenders are invited, and the form of contract deed which, in the event of a tender being accepted, must be signed and sealed by the contractors, and obtainable at this office daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Sundays and holidays excepted), up to noon on the 23rd October, 1885, after which no forms will be issued.

III.—Tenders will only be received on these printed forms, which are procurable on application at this office, at the rate of eight annas for each set.

IV.—Tenders will be opened at this office at 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday, the 27th October, 1885. Parties tendering are invited to attend.

V.—All further particulars obtainable from the undersigned.

T. WALKER, Lt.-Col., R.A.,
Commissary of Ordnance.

Bombay Arsenal, 14th October, 1885.

HOCKS AND MOSELLES.

THESE Wines are generally admitted to be the most delicate and fragrant as well as the most wholesome produced in the world. Our cheaper qualities have a good bouquet, and exercise a most stimulating effect on the appetite; the higher qualities have an aromatic flavour and a velvety softness to the palate, containing but a comparatively small percentage of Alcohol. They are specially adapted for use in India.

		STILL WINES.	PER DOZ. Bottles. Rs. a.	CASH Half Bottles Rs. a
LAUBENHEIM	...	A light dinner wine, sound and adapted for general use.	17 0	9 8
GEISENHEIM.	...	Good flavour and body, can be well recommended	... 20 0	11 0
STEINWEIN (Glass Jugs)	...	Of great fragrance, pure and natural	... 24 0	
HOCKHEIM	...	A very agreeable dinner wine, soft, delicate, and fine	... 24 0	13 0
NIERSTEIN	...	Very soft and good bouquet	... 27 0	14 8
LIEBFRAUMILCH	...	A very fine full-bodied wine, rich in character and flavour.	33 0	17 8
JOHANNISBERG	...	The perfection of Hocks, highly aromatic flavour and deliciously soft to the taste	... 42 0	23 0
		SPARKLING WINES.		
SUPERIOR HOCK	...	Delicate flavour and bouquet.	35 0	19 0
FINEST EHRENBREITSTEIN	...	The very finest wine of its kind	42 0	23 0
FINE MOSELLE	...	Fine, full flavour	... 30 0	16 8
SUPERIOR MOSELLE	...	Very fragrant	... 34 0	19 0
FINEST NONPAREIL	...	Very rich, delicious bouquet	... 41 0	22 8

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WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,
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AUSTRALIAN WINES
FROM
CALDWELL & Co. MELBOURNE VICTORIA.

THE UNDERMENTIONED WINES are recommended for their PURITY, SOUNDNESS and GENERAL EXCELLENCE.

Claret	qts.	Rs. 13	0 per doz.
"	pts.	" 7	4 "
Hermitage, (a fine clarety Wine)	qts.	" 17	8 "
"	pts.	" 9	8 "
Chablish	qts.	" 18	0 "
"	pts.	" 9	12 "

W. J. ESSAI.

BOMBAY PURVEYING AND GENERAL PROVISION CASH STORES.
FORBES STREET, Fort, Bombay.
BRANCHES—Cumballa Hill and Market.
TERMS—Strictly Ready Money.

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Silver double case Keyless lever 19 best quality at		Rs. 45
" " " Key winder ½ plate lever 17		" 25
" ¾ hunter keyless lever 19		" 38
" ¾ " key winder ½ plate lever 16		" 26
" open face keyless lever 18 best quality		" 35
" " " cyl.		" 28
" " " key winder " "		" 25
Metal hunting keyless lever campaign watch with bold hands and figues on the dial, stands any amount of rough ware		" 32
Metal open face " " " "		" 22
" " " " strong and serviceable original		
" campaign, " " " "		" 20
Metal Compass watch, very suitable for navigators and surveyors		" 30
" Waterproof "		" 32

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H. VOGEL & CO.,
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Regulation Boots of every description made to order.

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DURABILITY:—"The last Piano I bought from you I took up to Mount Abu with me, and notwithstanding it had travelled 400 miles by rail previously, it arrived after 16 miles in bullock cart, at the top of a Hill, in excellent Tune. On my return to Ahmedabad the Piano accompanied me, and has as yet not required tuning. The facts speak for themselves. 500 miles by rail and 30 odd in a bullock cart, and the instrument in perfect order at the end of it."

"During the last 8 months it has had two long journeys—one from Bombay to Jacobabad, and the other from that place here (Deesa) * * * Notwithstanding the Piano is in excellent order."

"Standing the test of this trying climate most wonderfully."

"The more it is used the richer and softer it is."

TONE:—"Its tone is much admired, and we are thoroughly satisfied."

"It has always kept its brilliancy and sweetness of tone."

"Beautiful Tone." "A very good and sweet tone." "Full and rich in tone." "Brilliant in tone." "The Piano you sold me 18 months ago has both improved in tone and touch." "Sweet and brilliant in tone."

TOUCH:—"Charmingly flexible." "Soft, pleasant, and easy to the touch." "Has a flexible Touch." "The touch is so excellent that one does not tire playing."

TUNE-KEEPING:—"After 8 months of continual hammering by my many bachelor friends and myself, the Piano is in splendid order; but if your tuner comes up this side soon, I should like him to tune it to prevent my being *non plussed* for a tuner by accident."

"Piano travelled about with me in the District of Kattiawar for some years, during which time it was not even once tuned."

"My Piano has been in constant use for 19 months, and has never been tuned. It is a wonderful instrument."

ACTION:—"I do not recognise any jingling when the pedal is made use of." "I have never found their Action fail." "Good repeating Action." "No metallic jingling."

STANDS THE CLIMATE OF INDIA:—Notwithstanding the instrument having stood in a room which is open and exposed to the breeze all day and all night, its brilliancy of tone is perfect, and is in every respect as good as the day we bought it. "Wood has never warped." "The frame is perfect."

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OPINIONS:—"It is, I believe, a generally acknowledged fact that they are the best Pianos for this country." "The Schiedmayer and Soehne's Piano gives me every satisfaction. I could not get a better instrument." "A. I. Piano for the Country." "Always my favourite."

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BOMBAY.

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CASH. Per case. 1 doz. qts.	2 doz. pts.	LIQUEURS, &c.	CREDIT. Per case. 1 doz. qts.	2 doz. pts.
Rs. a.	Rs. a.		Rs. a.	Rs. a.
51 8	53 8	Curacao, Amsterdam, Orange and White	54 0	56 0
... 7 8		Chartreuse, green, per bottle	7 12	
... 6 8		Do. yellow	6 12	
61 8	63 8	Benedictine from the Monastery	64 8	67 8
53 4	57 0	Maraschino de Zara, best	55 8	59 8
49 8	...	Noyeau de Martinique	51 8	...
38 8	...	Kümmell, finest Riga	40 0	...
40 4	42 4	Cherry Brandy, best Copenhagen	42 0	44 0
27 0	...	Orange Bitters, best	28 0	...
15 8	...	Vermouth	16 0	...
...	28 8	Assorted Liqueurs, choice, per doz. pts.	...	29 8
13 8	...	Lime-Juice Cordial	14 0	...
		BEER.		
5 8	3 12	Bass's Champagne Ale, "The Bull Dog" Bottling	5 12	4 0
5 8	3 12	Guinness's Extra Stout, "The Bull Dog" Bottling	5 12	4 0
5 0	3 8	German Pale Ale	5 4	3 12
5 0	3 8	Pilsener Beer	5 4	3 12
		CIDER.		
6 8	4 0	Champagne Cider	7 0	4 4
6 8	...	Norfolk "Dry, sparkling Cider"	7 0	...
4 0	2 4	Minerva Mineral Water	4 4	2 8

CASH. Per Gallon. without Jar. Rs. a.		COGNAC IN JARS.	CREDIT. Per Gallon without Jar. Rs. a.
15 8	Cognac ****	Very superior Old Pale	16 0
13 8	" ***	Superior Old Pale	14 0
11 12	" **	Fine Old, very soft	12 0
10 12	" *	Capital Peg, finest	11 0
		WHISKY IN JARS.	
9 0	Irish and Scotch, A 1 quality	our own shipping	9 4

The Jars can be returned for refilling. We keep stocks of Cognacs and Whiskies in Wood. An allowance for the Jar will be made deducting all outlay for carriage to Godown.

Empty Jars for do. ... 1 gal. Rs. 2 0 each.
Do. do. do. ... 2 " " 3 0 "
Do. do. do. ... 4 " " 4 0 "

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H. WYNFORD BARROW,
Clerk, Municipal Corporation; & Secy, Town Council.
Bombay, Municipal Office, 16th October, 1885.

THE BHOWNUGGUR COTTON MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is herbey given that an EXTRAordinary GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholder sin the Bhownugur Cotton Manufacturing Company, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No 7, Hummum-street, Bombay, on MONDAY, the 26th day of October, 1885, at twelve o'clock noon, to consider the Directors report circulated, and to pass the special Resolutions thereto annexed if necessary.

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WILLIAM O. FOORD, Lieut.-Col.,
3rd Regiment, L. I., President Committee of Adjustment.

Tounoo, 1st October, 1885.

THE ALFRED MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED, BROACH.

NOTICE is hereby given that a SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, in Broach, on Saturday, 17th October, 1885, at 4-30 p.m.—Madras time.

Business.—To confirm the following Resolution passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders held on 26th September, 1885:—

"That article 73 in the Articles of Association of the Company be altered by inserting five shares instead of ten for the qualification of a Director."

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PHASES OF THE MOON.

Full Moon..... Oct. 24th, 2h. 13.9m. a.m.
Last Quarter..... ,, 30th, 10h. 49·1m p.m.

Days.	Engagements, &c.	Sun Rises.	Sun Sets.	High Water.	Low Water.
		H. M.	H. M.	M. H.	M. M.
Sat. 17	Municipal Corporation, 3 p.m. Lecture, Framjee Cowasjee Institute, on Zoroastrian Doctrines, by Mr. N. D. Khandalawalla, 5-30 p.m. Departure of Mr. Grant Duff, 9-30 p m.	5 [illegible]	[illegible] 5	37m 1 5 45 a.m.	11 55 a
Sun. 18	20th Sunday after Trinity. Dassera, Hindu Holiday. Dassera Fair, at Moombadevi.	5 57	5 34	6 54m 7 12 a	1 42 a
Mon. 19	Taboot Day, Mahomedan Holiday.	5 57	5 33	7 55m 8 28 a	1 12m 2 21 a
Tu. 20	Hyderabad S. & W. Co., Meeting, 3-30 p.m.	5 57	5 32	8 42m 9 16 a	2 15m 2 56 a
Wed. 21	Town Council, 3 p.m. Afternoon Concert, Town Hall, 5-30 p.m. English mail expected per s.s. Malwa.*	5 58	5 32	9 23m 9 55 a	3 3m 3 28 a
Thr. 22	Gordon Mills, Meeting, 3 p.m Dholera Press Co., Meeting, 4 p.m.	5 58	5 31	10 1m 10 37 a	3 44m 3 59 a
Fri. 23	Departure of Mr. Justice Pinhey. Departure of English mail per s.s. Tasmania, 5 p.m.	5 58	5 30	10 38m 11 17 a	4 23m 4 32 a

* Left Aden at 4 a.m. on Thursday, 15th inst.

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Municipal Corporation, 3 p.m.
Lecture, Framjee Cowasjee Institute, 5-30 p.m.
Band, Bombay Volunteer Rifles, Bandstand, evening.

VESSELS ARRIVED.—The following vessels arrived yesterday:—H. M. S. Sphinx, from Aden; Commilla (s), Bisaren; and Tantalion (s), Moulmein.

VESSELS SAILED.—The following vessels sailed yesterday:—Manydown (s) and British Princess, for Calcutta; Burman (s), Kurrachee; Gelert (s), Genoa and Marseilles; and Thames (s), Marseilles.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The s.s. Gelert left the dock yesterday.

MUSIC AT THE ESPLANADE BANDSTAND.—The following programme of music will be played by the band of the Bombay Volunteer Rifles at the Esplanade Bandstand this evening:—

Overture.....Flotte Burgche ..... Supge.
Valse ..... Douce Souvenance ..... Waldteufel.
Selection ..... Der Botteistudent ..... Millocker.
Quadrille ..... New Promenade ..... Coote.
Galop ..... Sans Façon ..... F. Hitz.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

THE CATHEDRAL.—The Bishop of Bombay will preach in the Cathedral to-morrow evening.

ASSAULTING A POLICE RAMOOSEE.—Oomer Issac, a hack victoria driver, was yesterday convicted by Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee of assaulting Rowjee Dhackoo, a police ramoosee, doing duty at the Freemasons' Hall, Clare-road, Byculla, on Thursday evening. He was fined Rs. 3.

FURIOUS DRIVING.—Gunnoo Annaba, a cart-driver, was yesterday convicted by Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee of furious driving at Tardeo-road, on Thursday, and with having caused injury to Rama Krishna. He was fined Rs. 4, and half the fine was awarded to the injured man as compensation.

OBITUARY.—Mr. C. Narrainsawmy Moodliar, father of Mr. Masilamooey Moodliar, proprietor of the Madras *Law Times*, died last Wednesday at Bangalore, where he had gone for the benefit of his health. He was much respected in Madras.

APPOINTMENTS.—We learn that Rao Bahadoor Pandurang Balli Bhadra will be appointed Small Cause Court Judge here in succession to Rao Bahadoor Mahadeo Govind Ranade, to be promoted to be Special Judge under the Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act on Dr. Pollen going on furlough.—*Poona Observer.*

COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE.—John Sexton, who was tried and convicted by the Cantonment Magistrate of Poona, on the 6th instant, upon his pleading guilty to the offence of keeping a common gaming-house, appealed against the severity of the sentence. Yesterday the Sessions Judge, after hearing Mr. Xavier on behalf of the appellant, and the Government Pleader in opposition, commuted the sentence from rigorous to simple imprisonment for the same period.—*Deccan Herald.*

CONVICTED FORTY TIMES.—Barba Arjoon was yesterday charged by Inspector Dillon, before Mr. Ryan, with having stolen a lamp from a temple in Booleshwar. The accused was seen coming out of the temple in broad daylight with a lamp hidden under a piece of cloth; he was followed and given into custody. The court was informed that the accused has been convicted no less than forty times, and has spent some of his life in gaol for the last month. In committing him to the sessions, his worship gave him the consoling information that he would probably be transported.

MR. GRANT DUFF IN BOMBAY.—Lord Reay, accompanied by Mr. Grant Duff, visited the University Gardens on Thursday afternoon with the object of selecting a site in the gardens for the statue of Sir Richard Temple. His Excellency was met by Khan Bahadoor M. C. Murzban, Executive Engineer at the Presidency, Mr. Ollivant, Municipal Commissioner, and Mr. Monteath, Under-Secretary to Government. After going over the gardens, their Excellencies visited the University buildings, where they were received by Rao Saheb Gunputrao M. Pitale, Assistant Registrar. Their Excellencies afterwards drove to the Apollo-bunder, and thence to Government House.

A CASE FOR GOVERNMENT.—Hajee Bussier, a Mahomedan beggar, was yesterday charged before Mr. Cooper by his wife, Ashabai, with refusing to support her. The woman appeared in the witness-box surrounded by a family of six youngsters, two of whom she supported in her arms. The accused pretended to be blind, and stolidly rivetted his gaze on the floor. His worship asked him why he refused to support his wife. He answered that he had given her a divorce. This the woman denied. The accused said that the divorce-paper had been made out by a writer in the Bhendi-bazaar. He could not point out the man, but the complainant would take good care to preserve the paper. His worship.—You will have to support your wife. Accused.—I can't. His worship.—Why not? Accused.—Because my hands and feet refuse to move. His worship said it would be no good sending him to jail, as he would never go out of it. The accused was asked whether, if he got some help from the court as a start, he would be able to get on. The accused.—No; because my hands refuse to work, and my feet won't move, and I'm blind. The wife interrupted and said that this story was untrue. Her husband was not blind at all. He worked like a young man, and earned twelve annas a day. His worship said that the accused must support his wife; if not her, at least his children. The accused.—I cannot. Why can't Government support them? (Laughter.) His worship gave the woman Rs. 2 from the poor-box, and passed an order that the accused support his children.

LIST OF RESIDENTS.

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a Rev and Mrs Horne, Ahmedabad
a Lt H Standbridge, 17th Lancers
a Mr Henry Marsh
a Mr W Pirrie, Poona
a Dr Bonford, Calcutta
a Mr and Mrs C West, Bolarpore
a Rev L B Bartlet
Brigadier General Nimmo, Secunderabad
a Major Shepherd, Kohat
a Major Hull, Edwardesabad
Mr and Mrs Crawley, England
Lieut-Col Peat
a Mr H Darling, Lahore
a Mr R W Waller, BCS, England
a Mr Archer
a Mr J K Thomson, London
a Mrs Grierson, London
a Col and Mrs Phillips, London
a Lieut C Pritchard
a Mr Leily
a Mr C P Bird, BCS, England
a Miss Lovinge, England
a Mrs Marsh, England
a Mr A Butler, England
a Lieut Holloway, 7th Bo N I, Poona
a Mr J N Newall, Quetta
a Capt and Mrs Jones, Poona
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a Mr and Mrs W A Hill, Melbourne
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Mr Fraser
a Surg-Major Carew
Mr A Stephens
a Mr and Mrs H S Boys, Europe
Mrs Schoffield, Australia
a Mr J Wilson, Australia
a the Misses Wilson, Australia
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a Mr Vamlier
Mr F Barrett, Poona
Mr D Geor.e, Poona
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Mr John M Heyn, Bombay
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Mr Thos Wilson, Bombay
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a Lieut C Bell
Mr J G Thomson, Bombay
Mr William Morris, Bombay
Mr C Fleming, Bombay
Rev Pearse
Mr Collingwood, Bombay
Mr F A Innes Noad, Bombay
Mr Walsh, Bombay
Mr Otto Martin, Bombay
a Captain Webb, England
Mr Perry, Bombay
a Mr R Reeves

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Mr and Mrs Harold Curjil, Bombay
Mr and Mrs J Morgan, Poona
Mr and Mrs Squire, Bombay
Mr, Mrs and Miss Steiner, Bombay
Mrs Spencer, Bombay
Miss L Rich, Bombay
Mr H R Dunk, Bombay
Mr N Squire, CE, Poona
Mr E Bammell, Bombay
Mr E Traill, Bombay
Mr P Orwald, Bombay
a Mr D Famisch, Bombay

Residents left during week marked (a) thus.

AN EXHIBITION OF MARVELLOUS FEATS OF MEMORY.

At the invitation of the Arya Dnyan Vardhak Sabha (Society for the Increase of Knowledge), a large number of native gentlemen, with a fair sprinkling of Europeans, met on Thursday evening at the Framjee Cowasjee Institute, to witness some marvellous feats of memory performed by Pundit Gatulaljee. The pundit, who is well known among the Hindoo community for his perfect mastery of Sanskrit, was deprived of his eyesight when he was a boy of eight; and the exhibition which he gave of his mental powers was but another instance of the merciful dispensation of Providence, that appears to compensate for the affliction of total blindness by strengthening the faculties of the mind. While witnessing his wonderful performances one might imagine that the pundit, in the language of the poet in similar circumstances, must have prayed to Heaven —"so much the rather thou, Celestial Light, shine inward, and the mind through all her powers irradiate"—and it appears that his prayer has been fully answered. After Sir William Wedderburn, who was invited to preside, had made a few appreciative remarks on the learning and capacity of the pundit, a committee of some half-a-dozen gentlemen was formed to test the powers of his mind and especially his memory. Each querist was asked to form a sentence in any language he liked, and consequently sentences, not only in Sanskrit, Gujerati, and Marathi, but also in German, French, and Portuguese, of which the pundit had not the slightest idea, were prepared by the committee and committed to paper. The great peculiarity of the test was that the sentences were not to be given out entirely one after another, but that each querist was at liberty to give one word at a time, in any order he liked, stating the number occupied by that word in his sentence. One man, for example, may give the fourth word of his sentence in Sanskrit, another may give the second word of his in German, and so on, till the words forming all the sentences have been finished. On the present occasion, all the words having been given by the learned committee in the most irregular and puzzling manner that could be devised, the pundit rose and spoke the sentences one after another in their proper order. The ease and fluency with which he reduced what might be termed a chaos of words into intelligible order was very wonderful, and on the correct recital of each sentence, the audience greeted him with hearty bursts of applause. Some of the querists then gave the language and number of particular words, and asked the pundit to name them. This ordeal, too, the blind man went through with remarkable success. While this test was going on, a gentleman entrusted with a call-bell kept ringing it at intervals, and carefully noted down the number of strokes made at a time; and at the conclusion of the memory feats the pundit was able to tell the exact number of strokes made by the bell on each successive occasion. The pundit has a very keen sense of touch, which the chairman next proceeded to put to the test. A certain number of books, varying in size, were handed over to him, the name of each being stated to him. The pundit felt the books with his hands, and afterwards handed over particular books as they were called for. He also easily detected a new book that was quietly interpolated in the lot. The pundit, possesses also the coordinate power of impounding verses in Sanskrit on any given subject, it being left entirely to the choice of the querist to impose any condition as to metre, thought, or figure of speech. The Hon. Telang was requested to examine Gatulaljee in this particular, and it was declared that this test too had been satisfactorily fulfilled. The interesting proceedings terminated with an *extempore* address in Sanskrit verse on duty as taught in the Hindoo religion, the subject being given by the chairman.

The chairman, in addressing the meeting, thanked them for the honour they had done him in asking him to preside. The learned pundit whose marvellous feats of memory they had assembled there to witness was so very well known to the Hindoo community of Bombay, that it was not at all necessary to say anything to them about him. But on the present occasion the pundit had appeared, perhaps for the first time, before a mixed audience, consisting of different castes and races, and therefore a few remarks on the subject would not be out of place. He would in the first place thank the Arya Dnyan Vardhak Sabha, on behalf of the meeting, for the opportunity afforded by them of becoming acquainted with that learned pundit. He understood that the pundit had a hereditary claim to learning, his father, a native of Junaghur, being a very learned Sanskrit scholar himself. Pundit Gatlaljee was born at Kota, where his parents had been on a pilgrimage, and passed his boyhood at Junaghur. It was at Junaghur that the great misfortune of blindness befell him, when about eight years of age. This might appear to have blighted his whole career, but, perhaps, it turned his energy all the more to learning religion. He received instruction from his father in Sanskrit, in which language at the age of eleven, he was able to prepare verses, as well as an accomplished poet. (Applause.) He then came down to Bombay, where he completed his study which he had brought to so great a perfection. He visited various parts of India where he was received as a celebrated pundits with great honour as a poet of distinction. (Applause) Having returned from his travels, he established himself in Bombay, and gave to the people of the city the benefit of his learning and researches in connection with the Arya Dnyan Vardhak Sabha, where he delivered lectures on questions of moral and religious duty. The chairman believed those lectures were largely attended, and were productive of most beneficial results among all classes of the community. In 1879 a great meeting assembled to present the pundit with an address in recognition of his services. He had read the report of the proceedings, which were of a most interesting character, and was much struck with the modest terms in which the learned pundit acknowledged the recognition of his services to the Hindoo community. (Applause.) The pundit had said on the occasion that he considered it his duty to be always engaged in study and it was his pleasure to share with others what he had acquired. (Applause.) It was only the other day that the people of Bombay had met to do honour to the late Mr. Karsondas—(applause)—who, labouring under the same blight of blindness, had directed his energies towards practical politics. The pundit had taken a different line, perhaps more suited to an Oriental mind—that of religious research. At the public meeting held in honour of the pundit, he observed that "being born a Brahmin, I should be a great sinner if I did not engage in the work of instructing others." (Applause.)

At the conclusion of the proceedings Sir William Wedderburn placed a garland of flowers round the neck of Pundit Gatulaljee, who was also presented with a rich shawl.

Dr. John De Cunha proposed a vote of thanks to the chairman, whose sympathy, he said, had contributed largely to the success of the meeting. (Applause.)

The Hon. Mr. Telang having seconded the motion, it was carried by acclamation.

DEPARTURE OF THE TROOPSHIP SERAPIS.

HER MAJESTY'S TROOPSHIP SERAPIS, 4,173 tons, Captain Douglas, sails to-day for England, with 55 officers, 13 ladies, 1,053 men, 33 women, and 111 children. The following are the names of the officers:—

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Surg.-Maj. C. S. Wills, Bl. Med. Staff.
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Lieut. F. A. Barton, 7th Dr. Gds.
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Lieut. W. R. Little, Bengal Saff Carps.
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Lieut. W. N. Danby, Bombay, 7th Dr. Gds.
Lieut. C. Bell, Bombay R. A.
Lieut. R. A. Rage, Bombay R.A.
Lieut. H. Mercer, 3rd Dr Gds.
Lieut. E. A. N. Eyers, Rifle Bde.
Wife of Capt. E. Bruce and 6 children, Bl. S. C.
Wife of Capt. F. Stevenson, Bombay S. C.
Wife of Surg.-Maj. O'Connell, M.D. add 3 children, Bl M. S.
Daughter of late Col A. Allan, Bengal Staff Corps.
Sister of Surg.-Maj. R. A. Carew, Bengal M. S.

THE ACCIDENT IN CHIMNA BUTCHER-STREET.

THE inquiry regarding the fall of a house and a range of huts in Chimna Butcher-street, by which sixteen lives were lost, was resumed yesterday. Mr. Poondlic Ganesh, Municipal superintendent of buildings and roads, was re-called, and said.—I now produce duplicate of the notice that was served on Alli Saheb, a relation of the owner of house No. 35, Chimna Butcher-street. The notice says the front portion of the house is in a ruinous state, and directs that such portion as the Municipal Commissioner may consider necessary shall be taken down. An endorsement on the back of the notice says, "Not complied with, and report made on the 2nd May, 1882." This endorsement is initialled by the inspector. Another notice was then issued from my office, addressed to Rajbhoy Hookabhoy, informing him that, in consequence of his failing to comply with the former notice, the municipal officers would enter his premises and remove the decayed portion. That notice was not served, as from the remarks of Mr. McEwen on the back it appears that the owner had himself made the repairs. The remark is dated "1-6-82." I also produce a notice to the owner of the adjoining huts to remove them. This is a twenty-four hours' notice. It is dated "14-10-84." On the back of the notice is a remark by the mistry of my department that he and the owners had removed the huts without charges. I also produce a notice to the same owners, again directing them to remove their huts. This notice was served on Kavuji Dya on the 3rd October, 1885. The time given for removal was one month, according to section 154 of the Municipal Act. Up to the time of the fall of house Nos. 101-103 the huts had not been removed. These huts were erected before the last monsoon, and notices are not served during the monsoon. The huts in Chimna Butcher-street are pulled down every year, and re-erected afterwards. Whenever summonses have been taken out against these mendicants, the owners disappeared.

Currumbhoy Ismailjee said.—I never before saw the notice to Alli Saheb, nor do I know who he is. About three years ago there was a quarrel between myself and the owner of the house, who is my mother-in-law, and I did not collect her rents for about a year. When I resumed collecting her rents after the quarrel was made up, I did not hear that any considerable portion of the house had been repaired, or that any European had come there.

Ruttonbai, said.—I am the widow of one Rajbhoy Hookabhoy and live in Doctor-street. I am the owner of the house Nos. 101-103 in Chimna Butcher-street. I had a Municipal notice about eight months ago to whitewash my house, and I did so. About three years ago my servant took money from me for repairs of the house. I have never seen a Municipal notice.

The coroner then summed up the whole of the evidence to the jurors, who, after a short deliberation, returned a verdict of accidental death, accompanied with a rider that the Municipal inspector of C ward did not perform his duty in inspecting the house.

THE BOMBAY VOLUNTEERS.

CAPTAIN A. W. PRIOR, the Adjutant of the Bombay Volunteers, has just issued his report for the year 1884-5. The report states:—The financial condition of the corps appears in every way highly satisfactory. The volunteer movement throughout the whole of India has received much attention during the past year, and the Government have shown a very strong interest in its success, which cannot fail to have every good effect on it. In Bombay a large number of gentlemen, some already connected with the corps, have taken up the plan of forming a Volunteer Reserve, which has already received excellent support by the enrollment of 405 members. A Troop of Mounted Rifles, which already numbers fifty members, has been formed, and will, I fancy, receive greater support later on, when the present pending question of arms and accoutrements has been satisfactorily settled. The capitation grant this year shows an increase of Rs. 2,945 over last year, which proves that the corps has largely increased in numbers and efficiency. A few officers and men have left the corps, but the corps has gained many officers. I am sorry to have to make very similar remarks as to the rifles as have been made in former reports. Only some few, which were returned late, but several of those were in a very bad and rusty condition; a rifle, if cleaned at once after use, requires very little trouble to keep in good order, and would only return its rifle after use to the armoury as early as practicable after the end of the drill season, before the damp weather begins, I have no doubt that there would be very much less cause for complaint than now.

The following officers have resigned:—Captain P. Blissett; Lieut. S. W. Chart; Captain E. V. Jordan. The following joined during the year:—Captain Forbes; Captain Baird; Lieuts. A. Savage, T. M. English, L. Stead, W. Jefferies, E. G. Nicholson, T. J. Bennett, and R. Rodfern, Mounted Troop—Captain Little; Lieuts. Symons and Nicholson.

The total number on the rolls during the season was 970, of which 433 were recruits and new members, the total being an increase of 205 on the previous year. A Company dwindled very low at the beginning of the season, but will now, I hope, revive again, as Captain Baird, assisted by his able and energetic Color-Sergeant, are making great efforts to restore the Company. Its recruits have attended largely the monsoon drills. E Company, under Captain Roughton, who is, I know, well known to the immense interest and trouble in volunteering, heads the list, followed by D Company, a good second.

The following table shows the number of extra-efficients and non-efficients that were in the corps during the season 1884-85:—

Company.	Extra-Efficients.	Efficients.	Non-efficients.	On Leave.	Total Strength.
A.....	19	25	6	...	50
B.....	38	16	3	...	64
C.....	54	12	8	5	79
D.....	72	48	11	...	131
E.....	127	16	3	...	151
F.....	56	10	6	...	72
G.....	46	4	7	9	66
H.....	71	4	2	3	80
I.....	17	38	3	...	58
K.....	15	79	13	...	107
L.....	16	29	...	...	45
Total 84-85	531	281	71	23	906
,, 83-84	498	134	484	46	762
,, 82-83	441	123	113	36	718

The above table shows an increase of thirty-three in the number of extra-efficients, and a decrease of 13 in the number of non-efficients, which is very satisfactory.

In the table of drills it will be seen that leaving out the cadets, E Company now heads the list, followed closely by F and A Companies. The cadet company has a very good attendance. The week-end and evening drills have been very well attended, especially lately, and their average is over twenty.

The musketry return for season 1884-85 I consider shows a satisfactory result, eighty more men fired up the course, and there is an increase of thirty-four in the number of marksmen in the corps; the number of 2nd-class shots is largely increased, and the figure of merit is 6·38 points lower than last year, but I think this is accounted for by the large number of cadets who fired this season, whose average pulled down the figure of merit. It will be seen very considerably H Company again heads, with the excellent score of 125·24, followed by G Company with 119·58. Sergeant A. J. Murray again, and for the fourth time, becomes the holder of the challenge shield, presented by Lieutenant-Colonel the Hon. L. H. Bayley. Sergeant Baker is again the best shot amongst the cadets, with a score of 152.

The chief civil master armourer Yardly inspected the rifles at head-quarters in July, when they were found to be generally in very good order; three however required new barrels, but who was in fault it was impossible to say; many rifles, particularly those which were returned late, were in a very dirty and rusty state, and required much cleaning.

The capitation grant, Rs. 17,151, shows the largest amount that has been earned since the raising of the corps. On the debt side will be noticed the very heavy charge for Clothing, Rs. 11,123-2-8. This is accounted for by the large increase in number of the members, the cadet companies, and the consequent large number of uniforms required. The Government now allow Rs. 5 per head for every recruit clothed, and this should in future effect a reduction in the clothing bill. The general balance of the regimental and capitation grant shows a satisfactory amount of Rs. 14,073,-0-10 in credit.

The band consists of twenty-seven men, who are Portuguese. It still continues to be a great expense to the corps funds, though now, since the 5th June, 1885, an allowance has been given by the Government of Rs. 100 per month, which will be a great help. The public donations this year only amount to Rs. 133; out-engagements and collections have also realised but very small amounts. The officers' subscriptions realise a little over Rs. 1,000; but only one company (D) has sent in any subscription at all. Towards the close of last drill season Lieutenant-Colonel Bayley presented a set of stringed instruments to the corps, so that in future it will possess a "string band."

Captain Roughton performed the duties of Adjutant while the corps was without one for a period of nearly three months. The work has been well carried out.

DR. DE JONGH'S LIGHT-BROWN COD LIVER OIL.—In Consumption in its efficacy is unequalled. Dr. Sinclair Coghill, Physician to the Royal National Hospital for Consumption, Ventnor, writes: "I have convinced myself that in Tuberculor and the various forms of Strumous Disease, Dr. de Jongh's Light-Brown Cod Liver Oil possesses greater therapeutic efficacy than any other Cod Liver Oil with which I am acquainted. Dr. de Jongh's Oil is now the only Cod Liver Oil used in the Royal National Hospital for Consumption and Diseases of the Chest." Sold only in capsuled Imperial half-pints, pints, and quarts, by all chemists, druggists, and store-keepers. Sole Consignees: Ansar, Harford, and Co., 210, High Holborn, London.

DEVINE SERVICES.

20TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY, OCTOBER 18.
ST. LUKE EVANGELIST.

SAINT THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.

7-30 a.m.—Matins and Holy Communion, Choral. Hymns 173, 315 and 175.
4-45 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon by the Lord Bishop of Bombay. Hymns 315 and 31.
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis—Clark Whitfield.
Anthem.—"The Earth is my possession."—Gounod.

Thursday, October 22.

7-15 a.m.—Holy Communion.
Daily Prayers—in the Morning at 6-15 and in the Evening at 4-45.
The offertories are for the poor fund.

METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES AT THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, FORT.

11 a.m.—Sermon by Dr. J. S. Stone.
6 p.m.—Sermon by Dr. A. G. Fraser.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, COLABA.

7-30 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Matins and Sermon.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, MALABAR HILL.

7-30 a.m.—Matins and Holy Communion.
5-30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, ESPLANADE.
(Pastor—The Rev. John Forgan.)

11 a.m.—Morning Service.
6 p.m.—Evening Service.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, SONAPORE.

7-30 a.m.—Holy Communion with Sermon. Hymns 425, 107 and 321.
5 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon. Hymns 166, 180, and 431.
The offertories for Church expenses and poor relief.

GIRGAUM CHURCH.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon. Hymns 293, 467, and 394.
4-30 p.m.—Evening Prayer, Sermon and Holy Communion. Hymns 322, 438 and 373.

Wednesday, October 21.

6 p.m.—Prayer Meeting.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MAZAGON.

6-30 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
7-30 a.m.—Holy Eucharist (Choral) and Sermon.
10 a.m.—Matins and Bible Class.
5 p.m.—Children's Service.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Alms for Church expenses.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, KAMATIPURA.

7-30 a.m.—Holy Communion.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon. Hymns 285, 180 and 364.

CHRIST CHURCH, BYCULLA.

11 a.m.—Morning Service, Celebration of Holy Communion and Sermon. Hymns 308 and 197.
6 p.m.—Evening Service and Sermon. Hymns 445, 380, and 172.

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.

9 a.m.—Mechanics' Institution, B. B. & C. I. Ry., Parel.
6 p.m.—St. Andrew's Church, Fort.

ST. NICHOLAS' (SEAMEN'S) CHURCH, PRINCE'S DOCK.

6-30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

SERVICES will be held on board the s.s. Accomac, in the Prince's Dock, on Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. Captains, officers, seamen, and others are cordially invited. The Bethel flag will be hoisted.

ADDITIONAL PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

THE P. and O. Co.'s s.s. Thames, Captain W. A. Seaton, sailed yesterday for London, with the European mails and the following additional passengers:—

For London—Mr. and Mrs. Dunbar.
For Brindisi—Mr. J. D Inverarity.

CENTRAL INDIAN RIFLE MEETING.

THE prizes won at the Central Rifle meeting were distributed by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief on Thursday afternoon, in the presence of a very large gathering. Exactly at 5 p.m., His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief arrived accompanied by a Aide-de Camp, General Sir John Ross coming in a few minutes previously. The Commander-in-Chief, and the General were led to seats at the tables by the Secretary, Major H. E. P. Thomas, and the successful regiments were formed up before the entrance of the tent, forming three sides of a square, the tent itself forming the fourth side. Major Thomas read out the names and Major Nares handed the prizes to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief who presented them to the successful competors with a few words of congratulation. The President's Plate, of the value of Rs. 200, was won by Private Ashcroft, of the Lancashire Fusiliers, and the cup, value Rs. 100, presented by His Excellency the Governor of Bombay, fell to the lot of Quarter-Master Havildar Ramdeen, 27th Bombay Native Infantry, to the Squad Trial Stakes, in which His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief himself gives prizes, five European regiments competed. The highest premium was won by the East Yorkshire Regiment, now stationed at Bombay. On handing the prize cheque to the successful men, the Commander-in-Chief said, "I hear from Colonel Burnett that you are to go to Bangalore, and am very glad in the interests of the Regiment, with the knowledge of the excellent shooting that has occurred. The shooting of Private Wilson in the Square Trial Stakes reflects very great credit upon the 15th Regiment. I am glad also to hear of this intention of your officers to send you to Bangalore to compete with the British regiments of the Madras Presidency, in doing this I feel you will uphold the good name of this Presidency as on the late occasion you have done credit to the good repute of the East Yorkshire Regiment."

No less than 15 teams from Native regiments came to the front for this match, and the prize was won this year again by the 25th Regiment N. I. Infantry with the magnificent score of 90 points.

Four silver watches were again offered for competition by Brigadier-General Lyttelton-Annesley, the Adjutant-General of the Bombay Army. The watches were awarded to the best shots in the matches for the "Adjutant-General's prize"—Europeans and Natives respectively, the third to the Commander of the winning team in the Lyttelton-Annesley competition, which proved to Jemadar Secunder Khan, 5 N. L. Infantry.

The National, Northern India, Southern India, and Western India Rifle Associations again placed their medals at the disposal of the Council of the Central Rifle Meeting, and they, together with the medals of the C. M., were awarded as follows:—

Serjeant Bowden, E. Y. Regt. National.
,, Murray, B. V. R. W. I. R. A.
Private Savage N. S., I. R. A.
Col. Sergt. McKenna, L. F., N. I. R. A.
Private Brock N. S., Burmah Medal.
,, Wilson, E. Y., C. R. M. Gold Medal.
Capt. Roche, S. W. ,, Silver Medal.
Sergt. Bowden, E. Y. R. ,, Bronze

Lieut-General Sir R. Phayre, K. C. B. and H. H. the Regent of Kolhapur generously renewed their subscriptions to the funds. The various and elegant articles presented by the merchants of Poona and Kirkee as on previous occasions were won as follows:—

Pte Dryland, N Stafford	33
1 Messrs Treacher & Co. B Silver Cup value Rs 75.	
Vol Carvalho, G I P R	33
2 Messrs Lund and Blockley, Watchmakers. A Silver English Lever watch, value Rs 50.	33
Colr-Sergt Smith, Glasgie Regt	33
3 Messrs Phillips & Co. A Handsome clock, value Rs 70.	
Pte Savage, N Stafford	32
4 Messrs Watson & Co, Poona. A Silver Mug, value Rs 45.	
Naik Shaik Casim, 9th N I	32
5 Messrs Vuccino & Co, Photographers. Give two prizes, 1st An "Album."	
Serjt Bowden, E Y Regt	32
8 Messrs Jaffer Jussuff & Co. An Album, value Rs 15.	
Corpl Jones, G I P	31
A dozen Photographs of the winner, T S M Smith, 7th Hrs, on Guards	31
9 Messrs Cur-etjee & Sons, Kirkee. Salver, value Rs 10.	
Pte Davey, N Stafford	31
10 Messrs Mor ans & Balkrishna. A Pair of Vases.	
Sergt Mcdonnell, B V R	31
6 Messrs Sorabjee Johangier & Sons, Proprietors, Poona Hotel. A Case "St Raphael" Wine.	
Hav Major Shaik Mydeen, 9th B I	31
7 Messrs Sorabjee Johangier & Sons. One year's issue of the "Deccan Herald."	

The following list shows the amount of prizes taken by each corps in cash:—

Name of Regt.	Amount
Bombay Staff Corps	225
Royal Horse Art	38
7th Dragoon Guards	93
Poona Horse	61
Staff Army Tooth	18
Capt de Hon Roche	211
Royal Engineer	152-5-4
Royal, Lancaster	210
East York. Regt	1313
Gloster Regt	156
Lanc Fusiliers	751
Worcester Regt	355
N. Stafford	618-8
Rifle Brigade	106—4
Meywars Battn	56
1st Regt N I	79
2nd Bombay Lancers	33
3rd ,, N I	82
5th ,, N I	97
7th ,, N I	746
8th ,, N I	31
9th ,, N I	358
10th ,, N I	65
12th ,, N I	23
13th ,, N I	104
21st ,, N I	9
22nd ,, N I

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

FRIDAY EVENING, OCT. 16.

THE Bank of England return shows a slight increase in strength, the proportion of the Reserve to Liabilities having advanced from 33 to 35 per cent. Consols come ¼ higher at 100¼, and Bar Silver having improved from 47⅞d. to 47⅝d. per oz., Rupee Paper is higher by ⅛. The 3½ per cent. Sterling Loan, however, is ⅛ easier.

In Produce, Coffee is firmer with a rise of 1s. per cwt., Rapeseed steady, other things unchanged.

Cotton in Liverpool yesterday closed quiet, with sales of 8,000 bales, including 600 Surats. Spot prices remain unchanged, but Americans to arrive are 1-64d. to 1-32d. easier again. From New York ready Cotton and futures come alike unaltered. The receipts at the U. S. ports to date give the following comparisons :—

	1885.	1884.	1883.
Thursday's receipts	31,000	38,000	40,000
Six days do.	193,000	200,000	204,000
Total since 1st September	859,000	898,000	915,000

The market for the staple here is decidedly weak, and sellers are anxious to do business at a further reduction of Re. 1 to Rs. 2 per candy. We are now getting down to a level at which buyers see their way to covering in at least a portion of their previous sales, and in a quiet way transactions to a considerable extent have taken place yesterday and to-day. Bengals are the description most in favour, and we hear of business in good for February having been done as low as Rs. 156. New Fine Omras for December-January has changed hands at Rs. 193. Quoted rates to-day for new cotton are :—

Good Bengals, ...Rs. 167 Dec. Rs. 168 January,
Omras, ...Rs. 186 Feb, March.
Broach, ...Rs. 214 March.
Dholleras, ...Rs. 190 April.

WHEAT is very dull. Buyers have quite withdrawn, but sellers as yet refuse to lower their rates.

SEEDS are generally unaltered.

FREIGHTS are distinctly easier. The s. s. Thorndale is reported taken up by the speculators for January loading at 23s. 9d. U. K. or Continent, a reduction of 1s. 3d. on what owners were previously asking. The following are current ready quotations :—

Liverpool.....Ready	21-3
Open Charter.. "	25
Antwerp ..... "	25
Trieste Venice. "	22-6 at 2

COALS.—We hear of a cargo of Powell Duffryn Cardiff, October-November shipment, having been sold at Rs. 15 per ton alongside. Sellers are now asking as. 4 more.

EXCHANGE :—With Bar Silver in London quoted ¼d. higher and a tendency to refrain from operating freely before the holidays, the banks have made the market decidedly firmer, with an advance of a full 1-32d. per rupee. Ready demand Bank Bills have been done at 1s. 6¼d, and telegraphic for delivery up to the end of the year is offering at the same rate. For private paper the Banks are not good buyers forward ; but the difference may be still quoted at 1-32d. per rupee per month. For ready bills we quote at the close : —

Bank Bills on demand	1s 6 7-32d. to ¼d.	per rupee.
Do. Telegraphic	1s 6 3-16d. to 7-32	"
Do. Three months' sight.	1s. 6 5-16d.	"
Credits " " "	1s. 6 13-32d.	"
France " " "	1·95	"

GOVERNMENT PAPER is somewhat steadier, and we now quote Fours at Rs. 97 11-16 to ¾ ready, Rs. 97⅞ forward delivery. For Fours-and-a-half an inquiry prevails, and the quotation is Rs. 99½ to ¾.

SHARES.—The tone is very quiet. In Spinning and Weaving Mills an occasional decline of Rs. 5 to Rs. 10 is quoted. Bombay-Burmah Trading Company's shares are weaker again at Rs. 3,750 for first issue.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LISTS.

BANKS.

	Shares.	Amt.	Paid up.	Last Dividend.	Cash. Rate.
		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.
INDIAN BANKS.					
Bank of Bombay	20,000	500	all	5 p.ct.	722½
Bank of Bengal	42,000	500	all	10 do.	830x
Bank of Madras	10,000	500	all	5 do.	587½
EXCHANGE BANKS.		£	£		
Agra Bank	10,000	100	all	6 do.	120
Hong. and Shang. B. Corporation	60,000	$125	all	17½ do.	258
National Bank of India	37,320	250		5 pct.	105x

PRESS COMPANIES.

Akbar Cotton	200	1,250	1,250		900
Akola Press Co.	85	500	500	Rs. 50	1[illegible]
Albert Ginning Co.	100	500	500	Rs. 45	420
Albert Press Co., Kurrachee	220	1,100	1,100	Rs. 100	1,225
Apollo Press Co. (small shares)	750	400	400	Rs. 2	300
Ballary	630	1,000	1,000	Rs. 25	540
Brooke's Cawnpore P. Co., Ld.	500	200	200	Rs. 16	150
Bombay Cotton Press.	1,040	125	125	41½	19½
Colaba Press Co.	50	1,880	1,880	Rs. 600	750
Dholleras P. & G. Co.	5 0	300	300	12	165
East India Press Co.	700	1,000	1,000	Rs. 150	1,175
Fort Press Co.	150	8,500	8,500	Rs. 150	2450
French Press Co.	300	500	500	Rs. 40	620
Harvey & Sabapathy Co., Ld.	450	500	500	Rs. 25	500
Khangaum Cotton Press Co.	240	500	500	Rs. 40	450
Manmar Manfg. Co.	1,000	250	250	Rs. 10	230
Mercantile Press	1,500	125	125	Rs. 7½	132½
Mofussil Co.	3,125	400	400	Rs. 30	382½
New Berar Cotton Ginning & Press Co.	1,250	500	500	Rs. 45	535
New Broach Cotton Ginning & Press Co.	1,400	100	500	Rs. 40	3
New Indian Press	4,000	125	125	Rs. 10	16
Prince of W. Press	600	500	100	10½	530
Sabapathy Press Co., Ld., (Ballary)	500	500	500	Rs. 75	450
Sind Press Co.	400	2,000	750	Rs. 50	685
Sind & Punjaub Cotton Press Co.	100	1,000	1,000	Rs. 90	1 250
Sassoon Press Co.	300	500	500	25	515
Volkart Press Co.	450	1,000	1,000	Rs. 60	650

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

H. M's. Man-of-war Sphnix, Captain Marrison, rrived in harbour yesterday from Aden, 8th Oct.

THE B. I. S. N. Co.'s steam-ship Sahara, 1,288 tons Capt. J. Gill, sails to-day for Hull with a genera' cargo.

THE steam-ship Darlington, Captain J. R. Ward, sails to-day for Marseilles via Aden and Jedda with a general cargo.

THE steam-ship Gelert, 1,107 tons, Capt. R. Winter, cleared yesterday for Genoa and Marseilles with a general cargo.

THE steam-ship Canton, 2,732 tons, Captain J. Donnel, sails to-day for Marseilles with a general cargo and the following passengers :—For Suez—Mr. Paul Richard. For Marseilles—Mr. Kluring, Mr. Kuhk, Mr. Morris, Mr. Carnap, one gentleman and 8 deck.

THE Anchor Line steam-ship Persia, 2,317 tons, Capt R. Hutchinson, sails to-day for Liverpool with a general cargo and the following passengers :—Mr. Copley, Mrs. Gatacre, Miss Playfair, Miss Middleton, Mrs. Biallard and son, Mr. Emig, Maj. Sreetal, Col. Playfair, Maj. and Mrs. Edger, Mr. and Mrs. Bbore, Mr. Ebram, 4 European and 11 native rank and file.

ARRIVALS.

Oct.	Vessel.	Commander	From.
16	H. M's. Sphinx	Morrison	Aden, Oct. 8.
	Commilla (s)	Simpson	Busreh, Oct. 3.
	Tantallon (s)	Partridge	Moulmein.

DEPARTURES

Oct.	Vessel.	Commander	Destination.
16	Manydown (s)	Thomas	Calcutta.
	British Princess	Peterson	Calcutta.
	Burmah (s)	Mitchell	Kurrachee.
	G[illegible] (s)	Winter	Genoa & Marseilles
	[illegible]mes (s)	Seaton	Marseilles.

The following vessels obtained their port-clearances yesterday :—
Steamer Canton, Daunel, for Marseilles.
" Persia, Hutchinson, for Liverpool.
" Sahara, Gill, for Hull.
" Darlington, Ward, for Marseilles.

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday :—
Steamer Clan Ogilvie, for London.
" Commilla, for Persian Gulf.
" Clan Fraser, for Dunkirk and Perim.

DAILY IMPORTS.—OCTOBER 15.

FROM LONDON.

Poona war s—2 cases champagne, Bodger. Warburton and Co.
Malwa s—4 cases claret, Cutler, Palmer and Co.
Almoner s—8 cases claret, Cutler, Palmer and Co.
Venetia s—5 cases sherry, Atmaram Ramjidass.
Ravenna s—300 casks cement, Edward Bates and Co ; 12 cases colours, Sewchund Poputt and Co ; 165 packages merchandise, Treacher and Co ; 3 cases books, B X Furtado and Bros ; 13 cases books and stationery, Thacker and Co ; 6 packages medicine and 1 case books, Cooper, Madon and Co ; 4 cases cochineal, J Goomanchund ; 9 cases colours, T Farsootabhoy ; 224 kegs paints, A A Hoosein ; 25 cases aniline dyes, Gopaljee Mooljee ; 5 cases aniline dye, T Tullockchund ; 6 packages paper, S A S Dawood.
Ancona s—42 cases provisions and cheese, H Haji Abdulla.
Goa s—5 cases liquors, Cutler, Palmer and Co.
Cl[illegible]de s—10 cases sherry and claret, A Ramgildas.
Kh[illegible]dive s—12 cases wine, Barton and Co.
Hydaspes s—20 cases cheese, provisions, soap, &c, Essoofally Sumsoodeen.
Lalchand s—9 casks cement and 40 casks whiting, Heerjibhoy Cooverjee ; 5 0 casks cement M Boodabhoy ; 56 cases oilmanstores, Essoofally Hasoojee ; 100 barrels blasting powder and 3 cases empty cartridges, M Noorbhoy ; 28 casks blasting fuse, Geo Gibagan and Co ; 70 casks fuse, Soomar Veera ; 75 cases beer, W and A Graham and Co.

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Othello s—10 cases eau-de-cologne, Essoofally Sumsoodeen.

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DAILY EXPORTS.—OCTOBER 15.

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Accomac s—107 cwts coir yarn, Mooljee Jetha ; 800 cwts wheat, Lang, Moir and Co.
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Aston Hall s—3,000 cwts wheat, William Bell and Co ; 4,000 cwts wheat, Pelly and Co ; 3,000 cwts wheat, Finlay, Muir and Co ; 208 cwts coir yarn, M Mooljee.

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Manilla s—2,000 cwts wheat, Volkart Brothers.

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FOR SHANGHAI.

Ravenna s—104 chests opium, Isaac Ezra and Co ; 22 chests opium, B Balchund ; 6 chests opium, J E Ezra ; 20 chests opium, Cursetjee Bomanjee ; 29 chests opium, E J Ezrah n ; 71 chests opium, Sassoon J David ; 27 chests opium, Tata and Co ; 7 chests opium, E D Sassoon.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—OCT. 14.

Wilson, Major, Bl Staff Corps, from leave.

OCTOBER 15.

Davis, Major, Bl, 22nd Punjab Infy, on leave, from Delhi.
Agnew, Lt, Ma Transp, on sick leave, from Rindli.
Luckhardt, Col, Bo Transp, on duty, from Poona.
Colquhoun, Major, Bl R A, from Dum Dum.
Saunders, Surg-Major, Bo M S, on leave, from Mhow.
Faulkner, Surg, 19th Bo Infy, on leave, from Deesa.
Quenton, Lt, 4th Bo Rifles, on leave, from Aden.
Sharp, Surg, Bl M S, from Lucknow.
Batson, Capt, Bl, 2nd Dev Regt, to embark, from Gwalior.
Souper, Major, Bl, Army Pay, to embark, from Koorkee.

DEPARTURES.—OCTOBER 15.

Jervois, Capt, Bo, R A on leave, from Nasick.

OCTOBER 16.

Shepherd Major, Bl, 1st P Cavy, on furlough, to England.
Hall, Major, Bl, 5th P Infry, on furlough, to England.
Cuningham, Lt-Col, Bo, 2nd Belooch Regt, on duty, to Kurrachee.
Luckhardt, Col, Bo Transpt, on duty, to Poona.
Belford, Major, Bl, 17th Lanc, on leave, to England.
Wolseley Major, Bl, Cheshire Regt, on leave, to England.
Peat, Lt-Col, Civil employ, on leave, to Baroda.
Stephens, Surg, Bl 20th P Infy, on medical certificate, to Allahabad.

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Bombay, October 17.

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G. H. R. HART,
Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor of Bombay.
Government House, Ganeshkhind, 15th Oct. 1885.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED].

BOMBAY.

MARRIAGE.

RICHARDSON—BOLTON—October 15, at the Mission Church, Girgaum, by the Rev. R. A. Squires, George Richard Richardson, C. S., (Southern Mahratta Railway), second son of Bowrey W. C. Richardson, Esq., of Berrylands, Surbiton Hill, Surrey (late Superintendent of the India Branch, Admiralty), to Frances Elizabeth, third daughter of George Bolton, Esq., Palace Road, Surbiton, Surrey.

The Bombay Gazette

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1885.

WHILE some of the reports coming through Quetta from Kandahar show the existence of a certain bias against the Amir, and indicate distrust in him, information on which we can rely shows that, as a matter of fact, Abdul Rahman continues perfectly faithful to the British alliance entered into at Rawal Pindi. This is more creditable to his good-faith and political judgment because it is known that the Russians made overtures to him, supposed to be tempting, but he positively declined to entertain them, declaring that he would abide by his word pledged to the English. Probably this uncompromising rejection of the Russian advances furnishes ground for the rumours that efforts are being made to seduce from their allegiance certain of the Amir's functionaries on the northern frontier, and to form a Russian party in Herat. No great success has yet attended these efforts, but if made, they may be regarded as disinterested testimony to the Amir's fidelity to his engagements.

KING THEEBAW'S answer to the Chief Commissioner of British Burmah proves to have been unsatisfactory not only in manner, but in matter. He does not, as the earlier telegrams from Rangoon led us to believe, abate a rupee of his exorbitant claims upon the Bombay-Burmah Corporation, and he sends to Lord Dufferin a message as insolent as drunkenness and barbarity could produce. He will probably go on in this way to the last. He may consider insolence a cheaper way of attaching the British authorities than any other, and the more impudent his communications are the less likely does it seem that he will go far beyond words. Still, all this time what looks like grave injustice is being done to British subjects who are trading in his territory, and who must not much longer be molested with impunity. Lord Salisbury's vigorous representations to the French Government and his reference in a political speech to the course of affairs in Burmah indicate the high importance which is attached to the question in the highest quarters. But we have as yet had no indication whatever of the course that the Government mean to take in regard to Theebaw. The French factor seems to have been removed from the problem, but the Burmese factor remains represented by an insolent and reckless sovereign who has the interest of an important British undertaking in his power. How will that part of the problem be solved ?

THE career of Lord Randolph Churchill at the India Office, whether it be long or short, will be signalised by one act which will have an important bearing upon the economic development of India. The promptitude with which all obstacles to the prosecution of the Indian Midland Railway scheme were removed is due, as we stated a few days ago, to the personal exertions of the Secretary of State. For this we owe him thanks enough to obliterate the memory of at least one unwise utterance in regard to India, and perhaps to extenuate certain phases of his policy which promise to add little to the prosperity of the country. Here, however, we have a work of undoubted utility, for which the public have prayed for years past, and in which, it has all along been recognised, the interests of Bombay and Western India are peculiarly involved. It was to this line that the local Chamber of Commerce, in their admirably-reasoned memorial of February last year, gave special prominence as a line necessary not only in the interests of commerce, but for the protection of Bundelkhund from the effects of periodical drought. Speaking more especially of the Jhansi-Manickpur section of the line, the Chamber argued in its favour not only that it lay in the heart of the broad-gauge system, and was recommended by the Famine Commission, but that it would be a locally remunerative work, as the country in favourable seasons yielded luxuriant crops of cereals and cotton, and moreover a large through traffic would pass over it. The project, indeed, seemed to invite the reflection that what everybody said of it must be true. The Famine Commission strongly insisted upon its necessity for the protection of the Bundelkhund country from famine. Local commercial opinion advocated it as offering not only a valuable provision against famine, but as being necessary for trade. The Bombay Government were so persuaded of the need of it that they urged the Government of India, rather than delay the work, through difficulties as to the terms of concession, to revert to their former policy, and carry out the work as a State Railway, with borrowed capital. Lastly, the Government of India were so intent upon the enterprise that nearly two years ago they asked and ultimately obtained permission to lay down the earthwork for the Manickpur-Jhansi section. "Any policy," the Bombay Government heroically submitted, "which will at once provide India with the railways she requires is to be preferred to one which results only in inaction." Happily, there has been no need for the Government of India to resort to anything so desperate as the "any policy" policy. There has been no delay in the prosecution of the enterprise, and if the subscription has been incomplete that is a shortcoming which should be remedied without difficulty when the remainder of the capital is needed for the work. It is pretty generally recognized that a month earlier or later would have made all the difference in getting the capital subscribed. The prospectus was issued in August, when the subscribing public are by no means largely represented in town, and hence the incompleteness of the response. Perhaps the mistake would not have been made had the India Office adopted Mr. Lionel Cohen's recent suggestion to have a broker of their own to advise them in these matters. Anyhow it has not interfered with the prosecution of the work, for orders have come from home that these must be carried forward without delay.

The immediate result of the new line will be to bring Bombay into direct and easy communication with the wheat-producing districts of the North-West, of which Agra and Cawnpore are the great central depôts. It will shorten the distance between Bombay and Cawnpore by a hundred and thirty-four miles, and that between Bombay and Agra by nearly three hundred miles. The gain, indeed, will not be so great if the comparison is between the new line and the B. B. and C. I. and Rajputana-Malwa route. But for the purposes of grain transit between Agra and Bombay the latter line is seriously hampered by the break of gauge at Ahmedabad, so that the comparison is practically between the new line and the roundabout Jubbulpore and Allahabad route. As to the country to be traversed, and the nature and extent of the traffic that may be looked for, there is a general consensus of sanguine expectation. Sir Lepel Griffin, no doubt, spoke with something of the credulousness of enthusiasm when he told of districts in the neighbourhood of Bhopal where the production of wheat was so enormous in good years that it lay rotting on the ground for want of the means of exportation. Diligent inquiry for more specific evidence on this point has failed to yield any information as to the when and where of this overflowing abundance. Nevertheless, there is ample evidence of the unequal distribution of the agricultural wealth of the district which the line will serve, and it will play an important part in the famine prevention policy which the Government of India have deliberately adopted. It must be regarded, indeed, as only an important contribution to a great enterprise of which the Nagpore-Bengal line is the instalment that has next to be supplied. The general scheme proposes to start from the wheat and rice-producing country of Chattisgarh, sending to the east the Nagpore-Bengal line ; to the south the Hyderabad line ; to the north-west the Bilaspore-Etawah line, which will connect the productive Central Provinces with famine-stricken Bundelkhund. This latter district will draw for the satisfaction of its necessities from two directions, and will thus be effectually insured against disaster. And it will be seen, from the provision which is contemplated for opening up communication with the coal fields of Umaria, that ample care will be taken for securing a supply of coal for the railway on easy terms.

The project, however, has an imperial as well as a local character. It will serve the districts through which it passes, but it will also contribute to the development of the export trade of India, which is more than ever an imperial necessity. If it is a matter of moral obligation upon us to support every scheme which is reasonably calculated to prevent or at least to mitigate famine, it is a matter of interest as well to facilitate communication between the producing districts and the great centres of distribution. The scheme is, on the face of it, one that must add largely to the export trade of Bombay. There is little room here for controversy as to where the traffic "watershed" will prove to be which will be the point from which traffic will flow eastwards to Calcutta and westwards to Bombay. The East Indian Railway takes to Calcutta as large a share of the exportable produce of that region as it is ever likely to get, and those who have fixed the "watershed" at Banda on the Jhansi-Manickpore branch have shown the smallest belief in the eastward flow of the traffic of the Indian Midland. It is not so easy to mark off the eastward and westward traffic that will be developed by the Nagpore and Bengal Railway. Bombay and Calcutta are, so far as can be estimated, about equally interested in that undertaking, and equally desirous that the obstacles which have stood in its way may be removed as promptly as may be. There is no mystery as to the nature of them, nor is there any doubt that if the India Office had been determined upon a prompt launching of the enterprise the work would have been in progress before now. But there is reason to believe that the Secretary of State has in the matter of the Indian Midland proved stronger than his Council. May we count upon a second success of this kind being entered to his credit before the not impossible event of his withdrawal from the India Office a month or two hence ? There is much to encourage him in such a course. Public opinion in India is urgent in the matter, and commercial opinion at home would view with favour a policy which, in promoting agricultural production in India, would open up new markets for the reception of English manufactures. Whether his term of office be short or long, he may legitimately aim at making it productive of good work, and a Secretary of State for India who in a few months gave us two such enterprises as the Indian Midland and the Bengal-Nagpore railways would leave behind him a creditable record.

WE hear that the judgeship of Poona, rendered vacant by the lamented death of Mr. Watt, has been offered to the Hon. J. R. Naylor, Legal Remembrancer, for his acceptance. The emoluments of the office are no higher than those already enjoyed by Mr. Naylor, but the judgeship is considered to constitute a more direct claim to a seat in the High Court than the other appointment, which though one requiring great legal attainments, stands, as it were, by itself, and is a kind of legal *cul de sac*. It is thought that on this account Mr. Naylor may possibly elect to accept the seat on the Bench of the Poona Court ; and in that case the Legal Remembrancership will be filled by Mr. E. T. Candy, the Civilian who has held it for short periods on several occasions with general satisfaction, and who is, like the Hon. Mr. Naylor, an accomplished legal draughtsman.

WE learn that a private telegram was received yesterday by the Bombay Presidency Association, announcing that a large and enthusiastic meeting was held in London on Thursday night. All the Indian delegates addressed the meeting on the objects of their mission, and the audience was sympathetic. Both Conservatives and Liberals took part in the proceedings. The delegates are to meet the Secretary of State to-day.

SOCIAL SIMLA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

OCT. 12.

How true it is that if anything be but left alone long enough it settles itself ? Ever since the opening of the Fine Arts Exhibition here some three weeks since, I have promised myself the pleasure of referring to it in detail ; and now the show is over, and I have said nothing, appreciative or otherwise, of the collection, which has already become a thing of the past. Fortunately other pens have been more prompt than mine, and by this time your readers know as much as they care to know of this short-lived exhibition. It is not everyone who can paint a picture, but he is a poor creature indeed who cannot criticise one, and the most exhaustive ignorance is not a bit behind the most cultivated knowledge in its expression of admiration or dislike, so that in spite of my delay more than enough had been written on the subject. In a collection of pictures chiefly by amateurs, the work of a professional artist shines like a planet in the dust of common stars, and in this exhibition the contributions of Mr. Van Ruith were conspicuous. In his most careless sketch—and it must be owned that some of this artist's figure sketches are very slight indeed—as in his more carefully finished paintings the master hand is shown, and even when, as in some of the former, there may be "a fault to pardon in the drawing's lines," the pardon is freely accorded to the soul and spirit which animate even the faulty line, and raise it above the level of more careful work from less artistic hands. By those familiar with Bombay the scenes from bazaar or rural life in that part of the country exhibited by Mr. Van Ruith are greeted as alike true to nature and to art, which has so faithfully rendered effects of light and atmosphere, no less than the characteristic features of a life which in its brilliant exuberance has little in common with the sand-grey squalor of the plains of Upper India. A Bombay bazaar in which all the nationalities of the East jostle each other in the busy come-and-go of daily life, and where women and girl children gaily apparelled or simply dressed pass to and fro unharmed and unsuspected on their modest way, has no parallel on this side of the country, where the average bazaar lacks both colour and beauty. Mr. Van Ruith's most important picture, "In the shade," has been bought by H. E. the Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab, and shows to even greater advantage now that it is hung in Barnes Court than it did on the walls of the exhibition.

The Durbar for the Hill Chiefs took place on the 1st inst. in a large shamiana pitched on the lawn of Viceregal Lodge, and for some days before and after this function the roads were gay with the barbaric splendour of the Rajas and their following. Each Chief, Rana, or Thakur had his picturesque tag-rag and bob-tail retinue, his soldiers from an army of a score or so to a company of two or three, his drummers, his *choldars*, his led-horses, and his gold umbrella. The Rajas of Nahun and Bilaspur, who are each entitled to a salute of eleven guns and are as tritons among the minnows, brought their Delhi banners, whose golden and silken sheen made a brave glitter in the sunlight. The Raja of Nahun occupied his own house, overlooking the Mall, which, during the whole season, had stood in dignified emptiness awaiting the arrival of its master. In the compound of this house, awakened suddenly to busy life, his little army was encamped, and among the tall sunflowers the gaily caparisoned horses were picketed. All the durbaris seemed to enjoy their visit to Simla, though some among them had an air of being ill at ease during the Durbar itself, the quiet ceremony of which could scarcely fail to be disconcerting to those whose only notions of a *tamasha* of any kind are associated with tom-tom beating and noisy license. They appeared to be never weary of "eating the air" in the evening, long processions passing in single file down one side of the road, the chief himself now on horseback, now in a gorgeous litter. When the short twilight faded, large flaming torches held high in the gathering gloom lighted the fantastic companies back to house or tent, with all the glittering effect of a scene from a circus or pantomime. By this time all have returned to their states, taking, we will hope, pleasant recollections of their brief visit.

The Fancy Ball which was given at Benmore on the evening of the 1st came so soon after the dance given by the Maharaja of Cooch Behar, that many of the decorations remained, and the rink looked as brilliant as it had done at the Powder Ball. It is a weakness common to human nature that it must ever be making comparisons, and gay as the scene was, it was maintained by some present that the fancy balls of the seasons of 1881 and 1883 had presented more freshness and variety of costume. It is possible that the prevalence of powder, which had proved so becoming on the 22nd ultimo that many ladies had, not unnaturally, availed themselves of the opportunity of wearing it again, and the number of dresses originally worn in the operas of "Patience," "The Pirates," and the "Mikado" favoured this idea. As to the originality or effect of the costumes I offer no opinion, but of the success of the ball, there can be no question. The rooms were crowded, and it was not till a late hour that the last guest departed. A heavy thunderstorm which came on towards dawn caught the latest revellers on their homeward way. If in the dull days in store for Benmore, which has been bought for the Punjab Government offices, and the furniture, &c., of which is already advertised for sale, there should linger in floor or wall any memory of days gone by, not the least thrilling should be that of the Fancy Ball of 1885, the last of the many dances given there, the final gathering under its roof of youth and beauty, wit and wisdom, of all

TELEGRAMS.

WAR PREPARATIONS IN UPPER BURMAH.

INSOLENT MESSAGE TO THE VICEROY.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, OCT. 16.

A Mandalay letter to the *Gazette* says that great activity prevails in the Arsenal. Rifles and stores are being sent to various forts, 3,000 soldiers being at Minlah, and 2,000 on the Tonghoo frontier.

The population is panic-stricken, business is at a standstill, and all credit is refused.

The names and addresses of foreign residents have been taken down, and the French Consular establishment is closely watched. It is thought that treachery on the part of the Government is possible, as M. Haas is the guest of the Chief Commissioner at Rangoon, and the Burmese agent here wires to Mandalay that Mr. Bernard took him from his hotel to Government House.

M. Haas says that the French Government have no interests in Upper Burmah which would clash with English action.

The reply of the Burmese Ministers to Mr. Bernard points out that an independent Government is at liberty to deal as it chooses with traders who try to defraud its revenues. If the Viceroy's only communications are of the sort despatched during the past two months, they had better be discontinued, as they will be treated with the utmost contempt. Reference is made to the recent visits of Colonel Carey, Mr. Cabanis, and other British officials, who are characterised as spies; and Mr. Bernard is asked to explain his action in allowing such visits, and to say whether any independent Government would tolerate such impertinence.

The Bombay-Burmah Corporation forest work is going on unmolested. Three of their assistants have been sent to Rangoon to give the Government information which is thought valuable in the present crisis.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, OCT 16.

The answer from Theebaw is unfavourable. The matter is not yet officially before the Government. The Home authorities will decide what measures are to be taken.

The Rangoon merchants are warned that purchases of confiscated property will not be recognised by the arbitrators, if eventually appointed.

SIMLA NEWS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, OCT. 16.

The Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab left this morning.

General Hancock officiates for Colonel Stanton as Director of Railways.

HINDU AND MAHOMEDAN RIOT AT LAHORE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, OCT. 16.

The tension in the relations between Hindus and Mahomedans over the concurrence of the festivals of the Dusserah and the Mohurrum, which is causing the authorities anxiety as to the prospects of disturbance, has unfortunately already resulted in a collision. Last evening the Mahomedans established a "chahbil" and were distributing sherbet in contiguity to a place where the Hindus were reading Kuthas. The latter demanded the removal of the "chahbil," which led to an altercation and culminated in blows being struck. Both factions raised cries. The Mahomedans, shouting Ali! Ali!" gathered large crowds of the co-religionists of both parties, who came to a collision. Several men were wounded, but none very dangerously. The Deputy Commissioner and the Superintendent of Police both arrived on the scene and helped to prevent further disturbance; but the angry feelings have in no way subsided.

The Hindus closed all their shops in the City throughout the day, and are demanding protection from the authorities against the Mahomedans. Fourteen arrests have been made, and a squadron of Bengal Cavalry from Meean Meer has been brought to Lahore in anticipation of further disturbances.

FRONTIER INTELLIGENCE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, OCT. 16.

A scarcity of grain is still felt in Kabul.

Colonel Ridgeway has been appointed Commissioner for the demarcation of the frontier.

The Russians are continuing the construction of the road beyond Band-i-Nadir.

Colonel Lockhart and party are all well.

THE *GAZETTE OF INDIA*.

Appointments.—North Western Railway; Manager: Colonel Conway-Gordon; Deputies: Mr. Jabez Lightfoot and Major Brackenbury; Engineers: Mr. Mullet and Mr. Story; Traffic Department: Mr. Broughton, Mr. Ross, and Mr. Rutherford; Locomotive: Mr. Sandiford, Mr. Fergusson, Mr. Hughes; Storekeeper: Mr. Hilly; Examiner: Mr. Williams.

Mr. Anderson, C. S., officiates as Secretary to the Chief Commissioner, Central Provinces, during the furlough of Mr. Fraser.

Furlough:—Colonel Stewart, Guides, one year and 209 days; Lieut.-Colonel Hay, 4th Goorkhas, one year and 90 days; Major Hammond, Guides, one year; Major Lambert, Military Works, one year and 91 days; Major Beresford, 43rd B. I., one year and 227 days; Lieutenant Richardson, 3rd B. I., one year; Surgeon Holmes, 1st Sikhs, two years.

Extensions: Lieut.-Colonel Collen, 31 days; Captain Wedderburn, 15 days; Captain Muir, 15 days.

Admitted to the Staff Corps: Lieutenant Grimston, 6th B. C.; Lieutenant Crommelin, 1st Goorkhas.

Colonel Rodgers, half pay is appoint the Brigade Staff, with the rank of Brigadier-General, *vice* Walker, retired.

1st Punjab Cavalry.—Major Cunningham is promoted squadron commander. Lieutenant Stewart squadron officer.

2nd Punjab Cavalry—Major Bishop is promoted Squadron commander.

3rd Punjab Cavalry.—Captain Mansel is promoted squadron commander; Lieutenant Priestly squadron officer.

Promotion, Bengal Staff Corps.—To Lieut.-Colonels: Majors Nisbet and Marshall; to Major; Captain Durand.

Promotions, Bengal Army.—To Lieut-Colonels Majors Lang, Broome, and Home.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE BURMAH QUESTION.

LONDON, OCT. 16.

Lord Salisbury, speaking at a Conservative meeting at Brighton yesterday, said that the Burmah question rests with the Government of India; but that any other than British influence in Upper Burmah cannot be permitted to prevail.

SIR CHARLES WARREN.

General Sir Charles Warren has been appointed Grand Cross of Saint Michael and Saint George.

THE EASTERN QUESTION.

GREECE AND THE PORTE.

CONSTANTINOPLE, OCT. 15.

The Porte has presented a note to the Great Powers, declaring that the armaments going on in Greece are a menace to peace.

REPORTED MOVE OF BULGARIANS.

It is reported that Prince Alexander, at the head of his army, has left Philipoppolis, and is marching towards Adrianople.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

LIVERPOOL, OCT. 15.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Buchanan arrived here from Bombay this afternoon.

SUEZ, OCT. 15.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Drummond left here for Colombo, Madras, and Calcutta yesterday evening.

LONDON, OCT. 16.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Navarino left here for Calcutta, Madras, and Colombo on the evening of the 14th inst.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, OCT. 15.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet. Surats firm.

The London Cotton Market has been quiet.

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The Manchester market has been steady.

4 per cent. Rupee Paper 74¼

4½ ,, ... 75¾

3 ,, Consols for account 100⅛

3 ,, Sterling Loan 101⅛

4½ ,, French Rentes 108¼

Bar Silver 47⅛

The Bank of England returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results:—Reserve of notes and gold and silver coin in the Banking Department combined £12,2.0.000. Increase £500,000.

Bills discounted £22,100,000. Decrease £200,000.

Bullion, total amount in banking and issue department combined £21,500,000. Unchanged.

The proportion of the reserve to the liabilities is 35 per cent.

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORT.

(OCTOBER 16.)

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION:—

GREAT BRITAIN.—*Via* Teheran, perfect. *Via* Turkey, interrupted. *Via* Suez, perfect.

CONTINENT OF EUROPE.—*Via* Teheran, perfect. *Via* Turkey, interrupted. *Via* Suez, perfect.

AMERICA.—*Via* Brest, perfect. *Via* Valentia perfect. *Via* Direct Cable, perfect.

AUSTRALIA.—*Via* Penang, perfect. *Via* Amoor, perfect.

CHINA.—*Via* Penang, perfect. *Via* Amoor, perfect.

Rangoon, 16th. Line to Mandalay interrupted.

Interruption on Turkish route section Bushire to Fao, still continues. A mail steamer leaves weekly every Friday from Bushire for Fao with messages.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

THURSDAY, NIGHT, OCT., 15.

10 p.m. ..... 83°

FRIDAY, OCT. 16.

6 a.m. ..... 80°

10 a.m. ..... 85°

2 p.m. ..... 92°5

4 p.m. ..... 93°3

THE new number of the *Bombay Diocesan Record* reports the efforts that are being made to establish a resident clergyman at Lanowlee and Bhusawal respectively. The *Record* says that the Lanowlee Chaplaincy Fund is being steadily augmented by monthly subscriptions collected by the most indefatigable wife of the foreman of the Workshops, from workmen, engine-drivers, guards, and other members of the Lanowlee community. It is considered possible that the railway authorities may be willing to transfer the present school and dwelling-house to the church, as soon as the projected new school premises have been built, in which case it may not be necessary to build a parsonage. The Bishop of Bombay has recently paid two visits to Bhusawal, on the second occasion to lay before the European community the terms on which the Additional Clergy Society would provide a resident clergyman; and a committee was formed for promoting that object.

BISHOP MEURIN left Bombay for Bhusawal last evening on a pastoral visitation.

A CORRESPONDENT writes:—"A few of the leading residents of Bassein communicated the other day to His Excellency the Papal Delegate their intention of waiting upon him by deputation concerning the proceedings of the Goa clergy of that district; but his Grace let them know that he did not wish to give the people of Bassein the trouble of journeying so far as Bombay, and that they should rest assured their grievances on the subject will have due consideration. The Bassein people are authoritatively informed that the report propagated by the *Diario das Noticias* that Portugal will send out new Bishops for India is without any foundation whatever."

RANGOON is to have a Cathedral before long. The foundations are being already dug in the compound of the diocesan schools. The building, which is from designs and plans furnished by Mr. Chisholm, of Madras, gives promise of being a very handsome structure; and will be sufficiently commodious for all purposes for years to come. It is not intended to proceed with the tower and spire for the present.

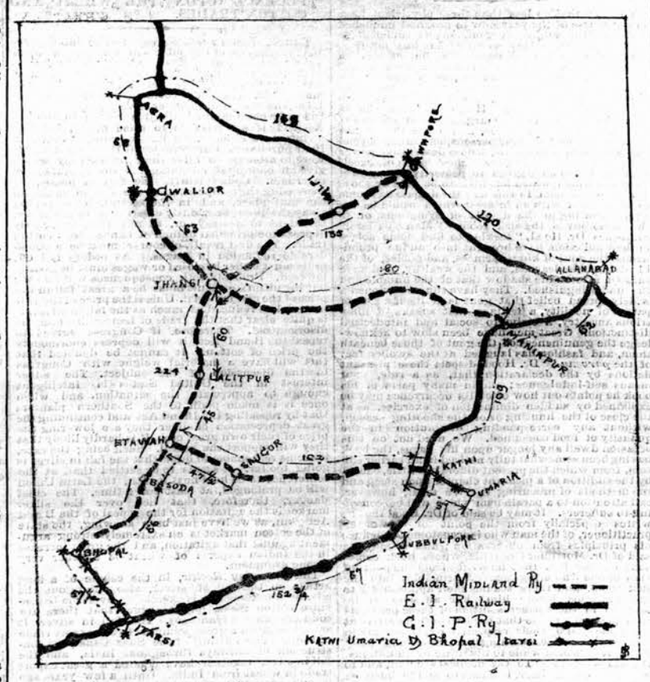
THE Viceroy gave a farewell dinner to the Commander-in-Chief at the Viceregal Lodge a few evenings since, all the principal officials being present. Lord Dufferin in a happy speech bade farewell to Sir Donald Stewart, whose time will have expired before Government meets again in Calcutta.

THE *Indian Mirror* has a strange notion of religious equality. Lady Dufferin has lately taken on a new Hindustani teacher, who, being a native Christian woman teacher, pleases it more than her predecessor, who was the sister of a well-known missionary. And so the *Mirror* goes on to say:—"What we then meant, and what we still mean, is that, in the case of a lady occupying the exalted position of a Viceroy's wife, it is hardly as it should be that she should openly place herself under sectarian or missionary influence. It is well known that we have always expressed our esteem and respect for Christian missionaries as a body; but in a country situated like India, where perfect tolerance of religion is the recognised policy of the State, any special preference shown to any one religion on the part of the Government, or of the families of the members of the Government, is open to grave exception. Indeed, with all his popularity, Lord Ripon was in some degree handicapped by the presence of Father Kerr as his domestic chaplain. Is Lady Dufferin a Methodist herself that she is so much attached to the Methodist body?" So then, people whose misfortune it is to occupy an exalted position are an exception to the rule that every man may have his own *guru*, and Methodism or missionaryism of any kind is to be a disqualification for the humble task of teaching Hindustani to an eminent lady. If it is in this way that young Bengal has learnt the principles of toleration and religious liberty, it had better begin again.

TACCAVI advances have not been so readily made use of in any part of India that any surprise need be felt at the reluctance with which the flooded-out peasantry in Bengal are embracing the offer of the Government to make advances of this kind to sufferers by the recent inundations. The conditions, a correspondent writes, are such that as yet very few have availed themselves of the offer. "A few days ago the Deputy Magistrate entrusted with this work in a portion of the Sudder Sub-Division of the Nuddea district in reply to the application made by certain ryots of a village, told them that all the villagers must make themselves jointly liable for the sum they want to borrow from Government on account of purchasing seeds for their lands, and unless this was done, no money could be made over to them. This, I need hardly say, is a very hard condition, and ten to one the ryots will not accept these terms to obtain the tuccavi advance. It is only by the lending of money on a large scale on the tuccavi system on very easy terms that considerable relief can be given to the ryots. If three or four ryots make themselves jointly liable, or if the mahajan, or some such person, come forward as security, that ought to be held sufficient. A lakh of rupees lent to the ryots in this way is likely to do a great deal of good to the suffering people, even supposing that one-fourth of it becomes unrealizable. Still the loss would be nothing in comparison with the immense good that would be done to them. Money should be advanced, not only for buying seeds, but also for buying rice and other articles of food."

"YOUNG SIAM" gives prominence in one of the Rangoon papers to a phase of Indo-Chinese politics which at intervals claims notice, and is not entirely without interest at this time. Siam, he says, has for the last half-century always shown itself a firm friend to England, and although aggressive measures on the part of France have in the past fifteen or twenty years always been feared by the Bangkok Government, possibly the understanding which has existed between Siam and England has prevented their French neighbours proceeding to interfere with the independence of Siam hitherto. If we are to settle the Upper Burmah question, either by the establishment of a Resident there with suitable escort, or by the annexation of the country, which possibly Burman's suzerain, China, would not object to, the French may make our forward movement a reason for something similar in Bangkok. We should always remember that our acquisition of Cyprus was immediately followed by the French movement on Tunis. And if they found they were checkmated in Upper Burmah our volatile neighbours may try and acquire prestige nearer Saigon in Siam. If there was any treaty or understanding between China, England, and Siam as regards upholding the independence of the latter, which is now thickly populated with Chinese, we may be sure the French would pause before they went into attempts at fresh aggressions in this quarter. We should endeavour, then, to interest China as we are interested ourselves, in upholding the independence of this fairly governed country, which is rapidly increasing in wealth and civilization, and which, when its railways are completed, promises to be an excellent outlet for English capital and trade.

THE mofussil municipalities may learn something from the experience of that of Tanjore, one of the most satisfactory features in the administration of which is said to be the very complete way in which the sweepings are removed and utilised in the neighbouring villages. They are carried away daily by thirty country carts of the villages outside the town. The Municipality pays nothing for the removal of those sweepings, but on the other hand gets a net income of Rs. 130 a year from them under the following arrangement. The contractor agrees to pay Rs. 4,000 for the rubbish, of which Rs. 3,870 has to be repaid to him for employing the necessary labour and carts to remove it, and the difference to be appropriated by the Municipality as the net value of the sweepings.



THE INDIAN MIDLAND RAILWAY.

THE accompanying map shows the course of the Indian Midland Railway, and its connections with the existing systems of communication. The line from Cawnpore to Kalpi has already been nearly completed by the Government of the North-West Provinces, and will be open for traffic in March. The Jhansi to Manickpore branch has been in hand for some time, and the earthworks are partly made, while the foundations of the great bridge over the Jumna at Kalpi—the only engineering work of any magnitude—are already begun. The Bhopal to Basoda section will be at once pushed on, and the earthworks of the Jhansi and Gwalior section will be begun. The line will afford the most direct route from Bombay to the North-West Provinces, and it will have an important influence upon the development of commerce.

MILITARY NEWS.

THE Government of India has sanctioned the formation of a Volunteer Corps in the Kamrup District, of the strength of half a company, which will entitle it to two lieutenants.

COLONEL A. W. MONTAGU, Bengal Staff Corps, Deputy Commissary-General, Bengal, now on furlough in England, will not return to this country.

IT has been decided that Adjutants attached to Artillery Commands, Classes A and B, are to be considered during their tenure of appointment as officers of the mounted branch.

AN aide-de-camp to a general officer on leave may be granted leave out of India by competent authority, and such leave will not be held to prejudice his title to leave subsequently under article 824, Army Regulations, India, Vol. 1, Part I.

CAPTAIN H. H. SEALY, 2nd Battalion Cheshire Regiment, has been granted leave to England for nine months on private affairs.

THE Commander-in-Chief has ordered that the system of company training is to be carried out at all Hill Depôts, wherever possible.

SURGEON G. S. GRIFFITHS has been posted to the permanent medical charge of the 32nd Pioneers.

COLONEL J. H. S. ALGAR, 4th Battalion King's Royal Rifle Corps, will be placed on the retired list on 9th October, and ordered to England.

LIEUTENANT S. G. D. SMITH, Royal Artillery, Assistant Superintendent of Factories, is to officiate as Superintendent of the Gun Carriage Factory, Futtehgarh, during the absence on leave of H. M. Mackenzie.

UNDER instructions from the Horse Guards, Major H. C. Bowles, 4th Battalion Rifle Brigade, has been ordered to proceed to England to join the 3rd Battalion of his regiment, into which he has been promoted.

MAJOR T. J. SEPPINGS, 1st Battalion South Yorkshire Regiment, has been granted sick leave to England for twelve months.

MAJOR S. L. RICHARDS, 2nd Battalion Leicestershire Regiment, has been granted leave on private affairs for fifteen months.

AN exchange of places on the Indian roster for service has been allowed by the Commander-in-Chief between Surgeon-Major R. Blood, M.D., and Surgeon-Major J. D. Gunning.

COLONEL M. P. BLAKE, Commanding 6th Dragoon Guards, has been granted four months' leave on urgent private affairs.

CAPTAIN J. H. K. GRIFFITHS, 1st Battalion Royal Welsh Fusiliers, has been granted fifteen months' leave on urgent private affairs.

MAJOR J. G. STONE, Superintendent of the Small Arms Ammunition Factory, Dum Dum, has returned from leave. Major J. H. S. Colquhoun, Commanding No. 4 Battery 1st Brigade, Lancashire Division, who has been acting for Major Stone, proceeds on short leave pending re-appointment to the Ordnance Department.

MAJOR W. C. RAMSDEN, 2nd Punjab Infantry, has been appointed officiating wing commander, 3rd Sikh Infantry, during the absence of Major J. P. Moseley, on special duty.

CAPTAIN C. H. RICHARDS, No. 2 Battery 1st Brigade, Scottish Division, has been appointed Adjutant of the Royal Artillery, Lahore Division, in succession to Captain R. G. W. Hepburn, promoted.

MAJOR H. GUNTER, Royal Highlanders, Garrison Instructor, Agra, will vacate his appointment on the 31st instant, on completion of his tenure of five years, and proceed to England to join his Battalion.

SERGEANT-MAJOR ROBERT YORK, of the Royal Scots (Lothian) Regiment, has been gazetted Quartermaster of the Sherwood Foresters (Derbyshire) Regiment.

MAJOR-GENERAL BAYLEY, Royal Artillery, Inspector-General of Ordnance, Bombay, will have to vacate the Ordnance Department on promotion to Lieutenant-General.

THE Government of India have sanctioned the formation of a corps of Mounted Infantry in connexion with the Nagpur Volunteer Rifle Corps.

FESTIVITIES AT DAMAUN.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

DAMAUN, OCT. 15.

THE birthday of Senhor Alberto Carlos de Moroes Carvalho, the popular Governor of this place, was celebrated yesterday by an enthusiastic public demonstration. Mr. Manockjee Cowasjee Damanwalla, one of the most prominent citizens of the town, and better known as the Nazarsett of the place, invited all the inhabitants to join in the rejoicings. In response to his invitation a large and influential gathering of official and non-official members of the community and the Mahajan assembled at his residence and proceeded to the Governor's Palace on the other side of the river, preceded by a European military band and native music of all varieties.

The procession crossed the river in boats with flags flying and music playing, and presented a most picturesque appearance. They were met by all the civil and military officers, as well as by the leaders of the Hindu, Parsee, Mahomedan, and Christian communities living in great Damaun. The procession entered the Governor's Palace, when Mr. Manockjee Cowasjee opened the proceedings by reading in short and appropriate speech that the object of the gathering was to present a congratulatory address to His Excellency on the auspicious occasion of his birthday. The addresses, which were in Gujerati and Portuguese, were then read, the Portuguese address being read by Professor Luciano Lobo, the leading advocate of this town. The Gujerati address was read by Mr. Sorabjee Manockjee Damanwalla. Both the addresses were well drawn up, the Portuguese address being drafted by Dr. Estavco Affonco. Other congratulatory addresses then followed, amongst them being a graceful poem in English by Dr. N. R. Satpute, L.M. and S., of Bombay. The Gujrati masters of both the schools read addresses, as well as Mr. Hormusjee Dadravala, praising the able and just administration of His Excellency the Governor. As a proof of the universal popularity of His Excellency may be mentioned the significant fact that the fishermen, not to be left behind in their demonstration of goodwill towards their ruler, presented their own address to the Governor, in which after expressing their loyalty to the Government they tendered their particular thanks to His Excellency for having relieved them from particular hardships to which they were subjected last year. After the presentation of the addresses His Excellency, who was received with deafening applause, in a short speech thanked the gentlemen present, and through them the people of Damaun, for the kind feelings they had evinced towards him and for their favourable sentiments regarding his administration. His Excellency disclaimed any right to special credit or gratitude from the people of Damaun, having, he said, done merely what it was his duty to do. He said that he had not inaugurated any new policy, but had carried out what was ably planned and begun by his illustrious predecessor in office, Senhor Sergio. His Excellency remarked that if he had taken any trouble to make people happy and contented, he considered that his labours had been more than sufficiently rewarded by the kind demonstration of that day. In conclusion His Excellency assured the people that in case his departure from that town should be accelerated by reason of his indifferent health, he would nevertheless always cherish and carry with him wherever he went the sentiments of goodwill which had been expressed to him that day, and he would always have the good of the people of Damaun at heart. The speech was interpreted to the people by Mr. Sorabjee M. Damanwalla.

In the evening there was a grand display of fireworks and illuminations made on both sides of and on the river itself, in which His Excellency, Lady Carvalho and family were invited to take part. The school building called Don Luiz I Hall and the forts on both sides of the river, as well as the interior of the Fort of Great Damaun, were tastefully decorated with flags and arches covered with evergreens, and were finely illuminated. The spectacle when reflected on the bosom of the still waters of the Damaun Ganga River presented a fine aspect. In Small Damaun Mr. Manockjee's residence was tastefully decorated, and illuminated with innumerable lights of variegated colours. Many citizens also decorated their houses, amongst them the Postmaster's house, the Police and Abkari Commissioner's offices, and Dr. Satpute's dispensary being the most conspicuous. Mr. Phillips Fernandes, customs director, was master of the ceremony. He had very kindly put at the disposal of the people all the available boats and mariners belonging to the customs department. The ferry over the river was free to all. Most of the families, both Portuguese and native, in their holiday garb, turned out to witness the spectacle. The procession, on their return from the Government House accompanied Mr. Manockjee Cursetjee to his residence, and thanked him for taking a lead in the matter and for the excellent manner in which he carried out all the arrangements. The assemblage of the officers, Government servants, merchants, and people of all ranks and creeds was grand, and nearly 10,000 people took part in the scene. The day turned out a general holiday, the spectacle being very grand and the first of its kind in Damaun.

GOA NEWS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

PANJIM, OCT. 10.

THE south-west monsoon having come to an end, trade has resumed its usual activity, and both pattimars and steamers are now to be seen daily entering and leaving the harbour, full of passengers who are chiefly menial servants returning from or proceeding to Bombay in quest of employment; so while there is a prospect of a large supply of butlers and ayahs for the Bombay markets, we are deprived of our best servants.

Mr. Sawyer, the energetic agent of the Goa Railway Company, has returned from Europe; the harbour and railway works are now being vigorously pushed on; and there is every prospect of the line being opened for traffic within the stipulated time.

The Archbishop of Goa has just notified another ordination of priests, so that there may be no scarcity of padres when the Jesuits retire from Bombay and all the churches are transferred to the Goa Mission, as it is rumoured here they will be shortly under orders from Rome. That the double jurisdiction system is doomed there is no doubt, but Europeans here do not believe in the transfer of the entire Bombay Mission to the Goa jurisdiction; it is just possible, however, that those portions of the country neighbouring upon Goa, such as Canara, Belgaum, Ratnagherry, and Chaul, will be handed over to the Archbishop of Goa, and a Portuguese Bishopric created, suffragan to the Episcopal See of Goa, under the title and designation of Bishop of Canara. This would perhaps be a fair compromise, for in all parts of Canara the Goanese dialect is spoken. One thing is, however, certain, that all these burning questions are to be settled in Rome in the course of this month, and that before the end of this year a Catholic hierarchy will be established in British India, at the head of which is to be His Excellency Monsignor Agliardi, the Apostolic Delegate.

I wonder whether the majority of your readers know that there is a custom in this country for only the eldest son of a family to marry, the rest remaining bachelors; hence one finds in almost every family one or more priests, and as there is no opening for all of them here, they are exported to British India and the African colonies. Latterly, however, this extraordinary custom or rule is not being generally observed, as there is a greater desire to marry, and moreover the profession of a priest does not now pay so well as it did in former times. Nevertheless a large number of priests are manufactured yearly for home consumption and exportation. This country may therefore truly be said to abound in cocoanut trees and padres, though many of the young men wearing the black soutan are not padres, nor intend to be, and it is only on economical grounds that parents dress them up as priests, while attending schools and colleges. The reason assigned for marrying only one son in each family is to preserve the wealth of the house, which would otherwise be divided.

Our popular Governor-General, Senhor Visconde de Fago de Arcos, is expected back from Portugal next month, and preparations on a grand scale are being made for his reception. The Viscountess is not returning to India, owing to the indifferent state of her health.

The rice-crop is being harvested, and promises to be a fair one; but this country hardly grows rice sufficient for its own consumption, and the only exportable produce is cocoanut.

The heat during the day is intense, but the nights and mornings are tolerably cool.

BERAR NEWS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

AMRAOTI, OCT. 13.

AFTER a protracted break in the weather, we have recently had some showers which have proved beneficial to the crops. There are no indications of any more rain, and the monsoon is practically over so far as Berar is concerned. The weather just now is very trying, and the heat is sometimes greater than in the hot season. Cholera still exists in the Province, though in a mild form, but is slowly dying out. It broke out in the Central Jail here, but fortunately only two prisoners were attacked, of whom one died. The annual fair at Dewulgaon Raja in the Buldana District will shortly be held, and it is hoped that this fell disease will not make its unwelcome appearance there. Every precaution will be taken by the civil and sanitary authorities to guard against this possibility. This is by far the largest annual fair in Berar, and attracts people from great distances. There is also a shrine at this place which is held in the greatest veneration by the Hindus. Thousands of devotees visit it every year.

A man was sentenced to transportation the other day by the Sessions Judge for cheating. Of late a number of *budmashes* have been carrying on a roaring trade with spurious rings. A number of poor ignorant Kunbis were taken in by these villains, and Colonel Bullock, the Deputy Commissioner, thought it best, in the interests of justice, to make an example of some of them. He sentenced one man to two years' rigorous imprisonment, and committed another to the Sessions. Being an old offender he was sentenced to transportation. Though justice might demand examples being made of inveterate criminals, transportation for life seems a rather severe sentence to pass on a man for palming off spurious rings as genuine.

The Bishop of Madras is expected here about the end of November, and Mr. Metcalfe is endeavouring to collect children for confirmation. It reminds one of childhood's days to see the candidates preparing for the examination with trepidation. The expected advent of Dr. Gell puts me in mind of an incident that occurred when he was on his visitation tour here last. He went to Basim to confirm some persons, among whom were a few grown-up young men. They were examined by the Bishop's chaplain, and one of them was asked where the ark rested after the flood. The utter round the room can better be imagined than described when the reply, given confidently and promptly, was—"Somewhere in the holy land, I suppose!" Opportunity might be taken of the Bishop's visit to represent the growing want of more accommodation being provided in the church here. When there is a full congregation, or on the occasion of a recent marriage, many of the members have to stand in the porch. A little extension of the present edifice is a great desideratum, and it is to be hoped the Bishop will be moved to address the Resident on the subject, with a view to his sanctioning the proposals already submitted.

The Central Jail was the scene of great excitement the other night owing to the escape of a prisoner who was undergoing seven years' imprisonment for a dacoity committed near Karinja. One of the sentries saw a rope suspended from the jail wall, and he asked the man he was relieving what it meant. As soon as the men made a search it was discovered that a prisoner had escaped. He had opened the lock of his door, and then relocked it. Providing himself with a thin cord, he tied a small stone at the end of it, and threw it over the wall. He then drew the end through the drain, and tied both ends, and so climbed the wall and decamped. As soon as the escape became known, the alarm bell tolled, and every one was astir. The detachment of infantry stationed here was soon on the spot, as also some policemen. Colonel Bullock, the Deputy Commissioner, and the Inspector-General of Police, the District Superintendent, and the Superintendent of the Jail were all on the spot to investigate. Parties were told off to make a diligent search; but the runaway could not be traced. Sentries were then placed all round the jail garden and the adjacent fields, lest the prisoner should have taken shelter there; but he was nowhere to be found. A camel sowar was despatched in hot haste to acquaint the police at Karinja. Up to date the fugitive has escaped arrest. From the manner in which this man effected his escape there is strong suspicion that he was aided by some one. Suspicion rests upon some convict warders and others. The case is under inquiry, and the suspected persons are soon to be put on their trial.

This is an examination month for the Berar Administration. Officials of every department are being examined. Early in the month the examination of chief constables of the police force took place, and the assistant superintendents are now undergoing the ordeal. The Commissioner and Judicial Commissioner are busy examining assistant and extra assistant commissioners, tehsildars, clerks of courts, and other candidates in the higher and lower standards. Sixteen candidates have presented themselves, among whom are some of the probationers for the Nizam's service. I believe these gentlemen have been informed that they cannot expect to be retained in His Highness's service unless they pass the prescribed examinations. The Sanitary Commissioner will examine hospital assistants on the 15th. Amraoti is quite full just now. Next week the influx will be greater. There are to be grand doings in the way of matches—cricket, rifle, billiard, and lawn-tennis—besides sky-races. Some dances are also anticipated. The local band not being strong enough, the band of the 5th Infantry H. C., from Ellichpur, has been requisitioned, and is expected in a day or two.

The whole station was invited last Monday to witness the nuptials of Mr. N. Godfrey with Miss Shambert, niece of Mr. Stacey. The church was crowded, and many were obliged to stand outside, the porch being full as well. The ceremony over, the guests repaired to Mr. Stacey's residence to partake of cake and wine. The Volunteer and Station Band was in attendance. Dancing commenced at 8 o'clock and was kept up till early in the morning. Many guests were invited, among whom were some out-siders. I will not trespass on the province of ladies and attempt to describe the dresses, and will therefore merely say that some of the dresses were exquisitely pretty. It must have been gratifying to the host and hostess to see such a galaxy of beauty gathered to do honour to the occasion. Everything passed off most pleasantly and well, and the guests enjoyed a thorough good evening's entertainment.

Colonel Menzies has returned from Europe, and relieved Colonel Fitzgerald of charge of the Buldana District. The latter officer has returned to Wun, and taken over charge from Major Rennick, who will remain at Yeotmahl as Assistant Commissioner.

The pleaders of this place have long felt the want of a pleaders' room to be attached to both the courts of the Commissioner and Judicial Commissioner. They were, for obvious reasons, denied the *entree* to the offices of these officials. I hear proposals have been submitted by both these officers for these rooms, and when completed they will remove a long-felt want.

The Dasara and Moharrum festivals coming together is always a source of anxiety to the police, by reason of the propensities of Mahomedans and Hindus to show off their religious zeal. It is only in remote places, where there is nothing to prevent them, that disturbances occur. The police have all such places in their mind's eye, and do not allow things to go on without arrangements being made to meet outbreaks of the sort. This year everything has been arranged to prevent collisions, and it is to be hoped the disturbances of last year will not be repeated.

THE BARODA TRAGEDY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—It is to be hoped that for the sake of humanity, if for nothing else, Government will appoint a strong independent commission to inquire into the terrible tragedy which occurred in the city the other day. The whole affair betrays on the face of it culpable recklessness and disregard of the most elementary precautions on the part of the authorities concerned. The barbarity of the course adopted to apprehend one wretched Sidhi is shocking to the feelings of HUMANITY.

Baroda, Oct. 14.

A FAMILY QUARREL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—The report in your to-day's issue of the cases before Mr. Cooper, in which Mr. Manockjee Pestonjee Anderson charged Mr. Shapoorjee Nusserwanjee Bhedwar and Mr. Rustomjee Furdoonjee Bomla with assault, and those gentlemen charged Mr. Manockjee with a like offence, is not strictly accurate, and we are instructed to request you to correct it. The report conveys the impression that the proposal for settlement came from the defendants in the first case, the real fact being that Mr. Chalk, on behalf of Mr. Manockjee, first suggested the compromise, and it was agreed to on behalf of the defendants, who did not admit the truth of the charge against them, on the understanding that the complainant in the first case was also bound by a similar undertaking. Yours truly,

TOMIN & ROUGHTON,
Solicitors, High Court.

Oct. 15.

PUNDIT GATULALJEE'S ENTERTAINMENT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—There was an advertisement in the daily papers of yesterday regarding Pundit Gatulaljee entertainment at the Framjee Cowasjee's Institute. This was read by a number of persons, while others obtained the information from their friends and acquaintances. Many of these, some of whom were residents in such distant parts of the town as Byculla, Mazagon, and Colaba, resorted to the place of entertainment. But they were refused admission under the plea that the entertainment was not a public one, and that those who were specially invited, or those who could produce the invitation cards, could only be admitted. If this was the case, the persons who took the leading part in the entertainment ought to have been careful to say so in the advertisement. This would have saved the public a deal of trouble and annoyance. In future, however, persons furnishing information of this kind to the public organs should state whether the lectures, meetings, and entertainments are open to the public or not.

Oct. 16. A LOCAL RESIDENT.

A REFRESHMENT-ROOM GROWL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—In the general information at the foot of the G. I. P. time-tables, posted in all the company's stations, we read:—"There are refreshment rooms at . . . Mhow . . ." and beneath it the signature of the General Traffic Superintendent. To reach the refreshment-rooms from the station one has first to climb over and under various goods trains, which are always shunting, to the imminent peril of one's life and limbs. Arrived there, we find a small shanty but of an obsolete pattern, wherein there is a room 15' × 15' × 8½', with a sooty black ceiling, five decrepit chairs, a rickety table, and a brokendown hat-stand, forming the furniture. Calling for breakfast (tiffin and dinner are much the same) we are supplied with some bazaar tea, (at twelve annas the seer!) some mutton scraps, and the usual dish of "sudden death." Not being an ostrich we discard the tea and call for a peg, which is found to consist of lukewarm soda and whisky (warranted to kill at a hundred yards). After that we give up in despair, and go sadly away this king wicked things of traffic superintendents, directors and such like.

I forgot to mention that the "rooms" are black with flies, and that a punkah is conspicuous by its absence.

You will be conferring a boon on the travelling public if you can find space for this lament, in the hopes of its touching the conscience of the G. T. S.

GROWLER.

THE LIGHTING OF THE G. I. P. TRAINS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—It is much to be regretted that the G. I. P. R. Company have carried their economy to too high a pitch to admit of paying any regard to the essential wants of passengers. Let it not be supposed that the public are blind to the favour recently conferred on them in the shape of a considerable reduction in the rates of periodical tickets. The pass-holders have a lively sense of gratitude for our concession toward the one they are constrained to deplore very much the ill-concealed economy which is of late made conspicuous by curtailing the supply of lights in the third-class carriages. For some days the oil supplied to each compartment, I keep one light in a carriage where three such are intended to be put. But on the 14th instant it became in their eyes advisable to make away with even one light in the third-class carriages reserved for passholders by the Jubbulpore mail-train. The passengers had to grope their way in the darkness. We had to experience the painful situation of blind men for nearly an hour; in spite of our loudly expressed sight. This is the case of those who travel by the Kalyan passenger-train that leaves Bombay at 5.20 and reaches Tanna at 6.10 local time. It is all tolerably well till the train reaches the latter station, but after that the passengers have to pass their time in the dark. On the 14th we questioned the station-master of the terminus on the point and he replied, "We are short of lamps." Does this reply satisfy the headquarters of the great railway? Is it not to be presumed that the company, while assessing the rates of tickets have included in them the expenses, possible and incidental in conveying a passenger? Anyone at all versed in such matter must clearly understand that the accession was granted by the same author who had granted the original privilege to graduates in 1876. Does he not think that it will do more injustice to break a clear word than to do justice to accept a word that was expressly modified? No, he is inebriated with his zeal for graduates, and losing his balance of the sense of justice, restores to graduates the word of 1878, by giving them a preferential claim to mamlats till 1883, and breaks with non-graduates the word of 1881 by depriving them of their equality of claim to mamlats with that of the former. Is this not a new way of keeping faith? Our graduate-champion, however, in his present moments seems to have perceived the inutility of proclaiming this form of justice to the world, where one word is kept by breaking another, but not wishing to leave his championship, has given a plausible gloss to his whole sophistry. Hence it is that, when the keeping of the word of 1878 with graduates is brought prominently forward in the rules, the breaking of the word of 1881 with non-graduates is not even hinted at. Nay, even provision for cases falling under the latter is altogether left out, obviously for fear lest it may open to the world the kind of justice to which his head has given birth.

This is the only way in which we can account for the absence of provision for the non-graduates who have already passed the examinations, in the rules of 2nd September, 1885, for we c

them. An attempt is made by a male writer to cast a stigma on the whole body of Hindu ladies by writing letters in questionable language and spirit, and in the name of one of them. It is therefore that I would like the name of the writer, to show to the world that, after all, it is not a lady that writes. "Hermes" himself likewise appears incognito. Is there any reason why this secrecy should be maintained? If the writer of the letters is really a lady, and if she has "powerful friends," as "Hermes" says, she must be a lady of some position in Hindu society, Brahman, Shenvi Sonar, Parbhu. Would not her name add weight to her arguments? But it is not a lady that writes, at any rate not a high-class Hindu lady, for the sentiments expressed as regards the birth of a daughter are those commonly heard in the lower substratum of Hindu society. Hindus of the higher class welcome the birth of a daughter as much as that of a son. Exceptions are to be found everywhere. A first-born child—when a girl—is looked upon as the casket of fortune or wealth. Witness the common saying:—"*Pahili beti Dhanachi peti.*" A daughter first-born is a casket of wealth. I am thankful to "Hermes" for speaking of me in kind terms. But may I ask why I am told to "henceforth help and not hinder my countrywoman in her philanthropic efforts to ameliorate "the condition of her widowed sisters in this land?" I should like to know what efforts the Hindu Lady has made to ameliorate the condition of her sisters? Beyond writing letters, what has she done? The letters are written in English, printed in an English paper, addressed to Englishmen, and transmitted by telegraph to English papers in London. In five different places the Englishman is mentioned in the second letter. Can these be called efforts to ameliorate the condition of her countrywomen? Such sensational writing is calculated to give a wrong picture of Hindu society to Englishmen. The letter is like a picture painted in bright—heavy black I should say—colours only, leaving out the beautiful tints and charming shades of colour in Hindu social life. In merely writing the letters, one can't say the "Hindu Lady" has done anything towards reform. Unfortunately, in matters of reform it is not enough to simply talk and talk unceasingly, and do nothing. If social reform could make progress by mere word of mouth, Hindu society could have improved twenty years ago; but mere preaching has been of no avail, and can be of no avail. Action must be combined with preaching. Practice must even precede preaching. Then, and then alone, will our society improve. I am not despondent about the future of Hindu society, as "Hermes" supposes. All I say is that newspaper-sensation—letters addressed to Englishmen about domestic reform—will not help the cause of Hindu society. Of course we cannot do without English sympathy and English support—the support of English ladies like "Hermes" sympathizing with the poor suffering woman of my country. But the Hindu Lady's sphere of action must be the Hindu family, and not the columns of a newspaper. As I have said, there is no use in reiterating what has been so often dinned into our ears, what we so painfully see everyday around us. I fully agree with "Hermes" that we "should look backward at what has already been accomplished," and I have said in my last letter that western culture and intercourse with the nations of the west have already changed the aspect of Hindu society. When "Hermes" asks me not to look forward at the Herculean difficulties yet to be overcome," I agree with her fully, and I even go a step further—I say that the difficulties have to be met boldly. We have to stare them in the face hopefully. Each and every one of us Hindus has a mission to fulfil, and we singly and collectively have to face the difficulties. Let us do so bravely, and not indulge in idle talk or pungent letters. Then alone can we overcome our difficulties. We must not shrink from them. They must vanish before united action—honest, sincere action. They must submit to our unselfish efforts—exemplary conduct, noble self-sacrifice. It is this position that I have assumed. The "Hindu lady's" course is the reverse. She has made practically no effort to improve the condition of her sisters. Why should she go to an English newspaper to write about the grievances of Hindu ladies? How many of them have read the letters? Where was the occasion for the letters at all? How many of her sisters can read English? As I have already said, beyond trying to create a sensation in the newspaper world, the "Hindu Lady" has done nothing to advance the cause of social reform.

I know full well what amount of good work the Zenana Mission ladies are doing, and be it said to the credit of those large-hearted, noble-minded, self-denying, philanthropic Christian ladies, who devote their valuable lives and means to the cause of female emancipation, that their agency has not been fruitless. But there is a difference between their conduct and that of the "Hindu Lady." They are practical. The "Hindu Lady," to judge from her letters, is theoretical, unsympathetic, and indisposed to follow the usual course reformers adopt. The Zenana workers, by their personal example, their high character, exalted ideas, and, above all, their sweet simplicity, infuse a healthy spirit of imitation among those they work with, or work for, and command the just respect of everyone they come across. The "Hindu Lady"—if she is a reality—at a remaining as she does behind the *purdah*, does not give us her countrymen and countrywomen a fair opportunity of knowing her personally and following her noble example. This is what I deplore. It is for this that I have been so anxious to have her name. But she is silent. Perhaps it is considered prudent. It is certainly unexpected, for there should be no secrecy in a public cause of such vital importance—a cause which requires the fullest moral support of every progressive Hindu reformer, male or female.

Considering the agencies that are at work, I hope for a glorious future in Hindu society. What requires correction will insensibly receive it. What requires total extinction will suffer it. The age of culture will make its influence felt. Our intercourse with the polished nations of the west will humanize our laws, civilize our ways, and make our Hindu homes the source and centre of earthly happiness, refinement, and culture. To gain all this our materials must be pure and unsullied—that is to say, the Hindu reforming men and women must be high-minded, unselfish, exemplary. Those who undertake to lead the van of reform must be unsentimental, unsensational, quiet, substantial workers. Quiet, substantial work is everlasting; it commands respect and draws round followers; brings home conviction to the hearts of wavering followers and gives them courage. Sensational writing, needless censure (albeit deserved), exaggeration of wrongs, inopportune harangue, breed contempt, and spoil the very cause they are meant to serve. This is a practical lesson one has to learn and remember in handling questions of reform, and in claiming the leadership of progress—

"Strongest minds
Are often those of whom the noisy world
Hears least"—

says Wordsworth, the poet. "Hermes" asks me to henceforth help, and not hinder, the "Hindu Lady" in her efforts to ameliorate the condition of her widowed sisters. How do I hinder the cause of reform? I am certainly opposed to the "Hindu Lady's" mode of procedure. If in asking for a declaration of her name I have given the impression of being against progress, I am sorry to have been so misunderstood. If "Hermes" could know anything of me, my aims, and my aspirations in matters of social reform among my countrymen, I know that the misunderstanding would be removed. I am not disposed to parade my reform-views before the public. It is enough if in my life I practically carry out whatever helps the cause of social and religious reforms. I have always maintained that no Hindu of culture can ever be blind to our requirements in matters of reform, and therefore need not be told that he should do this, and not that, to advance the cause of reform. It is only a callous man, an indifferent man, who may require this kind of friendly and well-meant admonition. But as it comes to me from "Hermes"—an English lady—I receive it with all becoming honour. I have neither the will nor, indeed, the power to hinder the progress of reform. The best portion of my life and the best energies of my body and mind have been and ever will be devoted to it, with a firm conviction that if each of us individually did actually practise what we consider to be right in matters of reform, much would be gained by us in our lifetime, and more left to be reaped by our children after we are dead and gone. Reform must move on as a matter of course. Its wave may stumble over rocks and boulders of difficulties, partly natural, partly imaginary, and partly of our own making; yet it must go onward, helped on as it is by the light of western culture. No single man will ever be able to check the march of a current, the propelling force of which is not only beyond his reach, but everlasting. As long as the British Government lasts—and may it last long!—the tide of reform will flow ceaseless—stronger and stronger day by day—for such is the spirit of the age, and such the example of the ruling nation.

It would be an apt thing in concluding this letter to draw the attention of all interested in Hindu social reform to a short but appropriate article in a vernacular Christian paper—the *Dnyanodaya*—of the 8th inst. The writer exhorts reformers to "hold fast truth" and "avoid hypocrisy." "Lay hold of abiding principles," says he, "and live them in your own life. Recognise the deep humiliation of your position when you are brave in speech, but afraid to act. On the other hand, recognise the power you wield when act accompanies a word, and you become a living example of the truths you urge." "To have power a reformer should manifest his love of truth by exactness and accuracy in his statements and representations." Wholesome advice this! Let us all remember it and act accordingly.

I object to anonymous correspondence. I do not therefore wish to enter into any controversy with writers who have not the courage of their opinions and who withhold their names. It is necessary, in a matter of such vital importance to Hindu society, to find out whether the writer has any authoritative information on matters discussed. And this can be best and most easily determined by the Hindu public concerned, if writers appeared in their own names. I am not disposed to write again on this subject unless either the "Hindu Lady" or "Hermes" treats me as fairly as I am treating them by appearing in my own name.—

Yours, &c.
Thana, Oct. 4. K. R. KIRTIKAR.

FLORILINE!—FOR THE TEETH AND BREATH.—A few drops of the liquid "Floriline" sprinkled on a wet tooth-brush produces a pleasant lather, which thoroughly cleanses the teeth from all parasites or impurities, hardens the gums, prevents tartar, stops decay, gives to the teeth a beautiful pearly whiteness, and a delightful fragrance to the breath. It removes all unpleasant odour arising from decayed teeth or tobacco smoke. The Fragrant Floriline," being composed in part of honey and sweet herbs, delicious to the taste, and the greatest toilet discovery of the age. Price 2s. 6d., of all Chemists and Perfumers throughout the world. Sold wholesale by The Anglo-American Drug Company, Limited, 8, Farringdon Road, London.

THE CLAIM UPON THE BOMBAY BURMAH TRADING CORPORATION.

THE *Rangoon Gazette* of the 9th inst. says:—A correspondent wishes to know why the action of the Burmese Government, in relation to their preposterous claim against the Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation, should be objected to; and he goes on to compare the Burmese procedure to that of our own Government authorities in the recovery of taxes. To compare small things with great, however identical they may be in point of principle, is generally unfair, for the considerations which govern us in the one case do not always apply to the other. In the matter of a tax collection we have straight sailing, and it does not take much legal acumen to understand how the land lies on both sides, to use a nautical phrase. But it is quite another matter where forty or fifty thousand logs are in dispute, on which one side claims to have paid duty in terms of half-a-dozen different agreements—each containing different conditions while the other side not only denies this, but brings serious charges of fraud, on which to found a claim of 23 lakhs of rupees. The Burmese Government sends its people to visit our timber revenue stations and get a list of the timber imported by the Bombay Burmah Corporation, but takes no notice of the explanatory notes, made by the forest officers in charge of the registers; which would put a different complexion on the whole matter. Armed with this misleading list the Burmese Government, acting as pleader, judge and client at the same time, passes a decree against the Corporation and next proposes to seize upon all the timber and other property of the Company. Such action would be objectionable in the case of Rs. 23,000; but where near quarter of a million sterling is concerned it means something like ruination to one of our largest English houses in Burmah. No one who has dwelt in Upper Burmah but knows the various methods constantly adopted by the Burmese Ministers to squeeze people who are believed to have money. Everything is of course done in a legal way; nothing being easier than to trump up some false charge against the party intended to be squeezed, and to bring up witnesses to substantiate the charge or charges. The Bombay Burmah Corporation are therefore quite justified in refusing to recognise the right of such a tribunal to decide the points in dispute. The Tinedah Mengyee is the master of Upper Burmah, and it being seen that he has been the determined foe, throughout, of the Company, no member of the *hloot* dare decide in opposition to his views of the question. If the Burmese have justice on their side let them send a member of the *hloot* to sit along with one of our own officers to investigate the case in British territory, where the chief evidence is to be found. Even in the days of the good old King Moung Lone we would not allow our subjects in Upper Burmah to run the risk of being tried by a purely Burmese tribunal, but insisted when the other party was a Burman subject, on their cases being brought before a Mixed Court. When such was deemed necessary in the case of small sums how much more essential is it that the dispute between the Burmese Government and the Bombay Burmah Company should be tried by a thoroughly competent and trustworthy tribunal, and that we should not calmly stand by and see an English house ruined under the ruling of an utterly corrupt Court and at the instigation of an intriguing Frenchman.

THE PERSIAN GULF TRADE ROUTE.

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR LEWIS PELLY contributes to the *British Trade Journal* an article on the above subject, in which he says: It is observable that there is a tendency in trade to resume its old lines, with improved means of communication; and one of the channels through which the commerce of the East and the West was anciently carried was the Persian Gulf. The trade came from the shores of India and the east coast of Africa, and was in part distributed along the coast-line of the Persian Gulf itself, while the bulk of it found its way northward to the Valley of the Tigris and Euphrates, or through Grain, to present Khowait, in a more westerly direction. When Nearchus, quitting the Indus and passing along the Mekran coast to the Straits of Mussendoom, entered the Gulf and rejoined Alexander at Caramania, the present Kirman, he found anchorage and fresh water at Minao, a point a little to the south of Bender Abbas, where, probably, he debarked and moved inland. At that time, and while the Achemenian dynasty ruled at Persepolis, over the present province of Fars, it is probable that the trade and population along the Persian coast of the Gulf was greater than it has since been. At all events the flat belt of country to the south, between Shuster, and the line of the Karoun River, and so southwards, between the mountains and the sea, through what is now the territory of the Chaabs and other Persian Arab tribes, through Bushire to Laristan and Kishm, is strewn with the mounds and other signs of ancient townships and civilisations; while the scarps of the mountains themselves are terraced in many directions for cultivation, thus showing that they were once inhabited, though at the present time desolate. An interesting period in the history of the tribes-trades, and resources around the shore, line of the Persian Gulf is to be found in that which includes the development of Portuguese enterprise after the discovery of the passage round the Cape of Good Hope, and the establishment of Portuguese forts and settlements along the east coast of Africa, from the Mozambique nearly to the Gulf of Aden, and on the western shores of India. And, perhaps, the world affords scarcely an instance of more dauntless, persevering, and successful combined commercial and Military enterprise, carried out with very small means, and in very remote regions, than that which is exemplified in the small Portuguese settlements successively made round Africa, and thence along the coast of Peninsular Arabia, up the Gulf of Oman, at Muscat, Soor, Sohar, and other points in what now form the territories of the Sultan of Muscat, and so to Ormuz, Kishm, Bahrein, and other settlements reaching to the head of the Persian Gulf. It is marvellous to think of a few navigators pushing their way round the continent of Africa, along reef-bound coasts, unsurveyed, and subject to strong and variable currents, crossing the bars which almost invariably embarrass the approach to the anchorages along the east coast, risking the hostility of tribes, with whose language and very existence they must have been unacquainted, and managing—whether by diplomacy, intrigue, or force of arms—to construct forts and maintain themselves in sufficient strength to protect their shipping and develop their trade.

The attention of British authority in India was, in the first instance, directed to the waters of the Persian Gulf, partly on account of the increasing interest which the boundless ambition of the First Napoleon induced us to take in the affairs of Persia, and partly on account of the audacity with which the pirates of the Arab littoral ventured farther and farther into the Indian Ocean, ravaging its coasts, and seizing not only the native shows along the east coast of Africa, but even the pattamars and other Indian craft off the harbours of Sind, Kutch, Guzerat, and other more southern points on the western coast of India. On various occasions the British made warlike demonstrations against Ras el Khyma, Ras el Kheima, and Soor. Eventually a squadron of the British Indian navy was stationed in the Persian Gulf with head-quarters at Bassido, on the island of Kishm. But the trade of the Gulf was still left to native craft, which traded from Busreh and Khowait with dates and Arab horses; from Khuteiff, Bahrein, and the chieftainships of the littoral, with pearls, dried fish, dates, and miscellaneous products. And it is noticeable that, although the vast tract which stretches across two-thirds of Peninsular Arabia, from the Persian Gulf through the Dehna and Nedjd, presents one of the most desolate deserts, anywhere to be found, it yet produces some things of acknowledged excellence—*e.g.*, the horses of Nedjd, the donkeys of Bahrein, the dates of Busreh and El Hasa, pearls, hawks, grey-hounds, camels, and frankincense. But it was not until the year 1862-63 that a regular steam-borne trade was opened between the ports of Bombay and Karachee on the one hand, and those of Muscat, Bender Abbas, Bushire, and Busreh on the other. In that year Mr. William Mackinnon, who more than any other man has been the moving spirit in developing the steam-borne coasting trade of British India, suggested to the then Governor of Bombay (Sir Bartle Frere) the feasibility of further extending the trade along the cross of Mekran and Gulfs of Oman and Persia. The first chartered steamer of this line left Bombay in November, 1862, and it is remarkable that the greatest opposition to the line arose among the merchants of the Persian Gulf itself. They persistently declared that the cargo of a steamer would flood the market and disorganise the trade. Nevertheless, Mr. Mackinnon adhered to his project. He commenced by running a small steamer once in six weeks, then once a month, then steamers monthly, steamers of far larger tonnage, until eventually a bi-weekly communication was established, followed, as usual, by opposition steamers.

Meantime the enterprising firm of Messrs. Gray, Dawes, and Co. established itself at Bushire and Bender Abbas, and the steam-borne trade developed itself by friendly correspondence with the Tigris and Euphrates Company, under Messrs. Lynch; with England, through the Suez Canal; and with the steamers of the British India Company plying between Bombay and Calcutta, and along the east coast of Africa. What the trade now requires is civilised communication between one or more ports on the gulf and the capital and northern provinces of Persia. At present all the trade is carried inland over intolerable tracks on the backs of mules. But whether this primitive mode of transit should be superseded by a railway leaving Bushire and passing through Shiraz and Ispahan to Teheran, or by a line which should leave the River Shat-el-Arab a little below Busreh at Mohamrah, and thence utilising the River Karoon up to Shuster, pierce the Zagros Mountains, and so debouch on the plains of Persia at a point intermediate between Ispahan and Persepolis, is a question which has been long discussed and still requires early solution. My own opinion is that the line of the Karoon should certainly be developed. It is true that the regions drained by the Persian Gulf trade are comparatively poor and sparsely inhabited; but yet the total area embraced is so vast that, although the traffic per square mile might be insignificant, yet, as a whole, it would probably prove remunerative, and capable of indefinite increase. We have already seen a trade in corn, opium, hides, dates, sesamum seeds, lacquer, assafœtida, sugar, and other commodities attain considerable proportions, and afford fair promise for the future. That the trade neither of Persia nor Turkish Arabia will ever thoroughly develop until the Governments of those regions shall be such as to afford a moderate percentage of justice, and secure to their subjects the proceeds of their own industry.

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GOUT.

THE fact that no less than three physicians have in the course of the year now in progress published books on the subject of gout, seems sufficient to prove that the malady so called has lost nothing, we must not say of its popularity, but at least of its prevalence. "Our acquaintance with gout," writes Dr. Hood, the third edition of whose well-known treatise lies before us, "dates from the dawn of medical writing, and is interwoven with the history of literature." He goes on to say that in all ages it has been the scourge of sedentary habits and of easy circumstances, and hence that it has been experienced by many persons, both in and beyond the profession of medicine, whose descriptive power have been cultivated to the highest pitch of excellence, and who have given to posterity accounts of their sufferings which left little to be told by those who followed them. In this way the disease has come to be invested with an interest which would be entirely wanting to the details of symptoms or to the monotony of the sick room. "Many writers," continues Dr. Hood, "seeking to find some solace in their affliction, have brought into undue prominence the gout of kings, princes, and nobles, of the illustrious, the learned, and the wealthy, and have thrown into undue shadow that of the humble and the undistinguished. They have thus occasioned the widely-spread belief that gout is in itself a sort of patent of nobility, a heritage that speaks of illustrious ancestry, a claim to social and intellectual distinction. Great men have been slow to acknowledge the genuineness of the gout of those beneath them, and fashion has laughed at the swollen feet of the *parvenu*." Dr. Hood dispels these pleasant fictions by the declaration that, as a rule, gout means self-indulgence; and in many parts of his book he points out how often its occurrence may be explained by sudden diminution of exercise, as at the close of the hunting or of the shooting season, without any corresponding diminution in the quantity of food consumed. We need not on this occasion dwell any longer upon his pages, the book having been somewhat fully noticed in an earlier edition, from which the present differs but little, except by the addition of a pleasant chapter upon sleep and the methods of procuring it. We must, however, call attention to a parallelism which will be consoling to sufferers. It may be said of Dr. Hood that he writes especially from the point of view of the practitioner, of the man who is accustomed to deduce his principles from observation; and it may be said of Dr. Mortimer Granville, whose book comes next on our list, that he writes from the point of view of one who brings general principles into the sick room, and there studies their applicability to the problems before him. For all who are interested in the correct solution of these problems it is pleasant to see that the two authors arrive at the same goal by their respective roads, and are in complete accord concerning an important point which it is worth while to illustrate by quotations. Dr. Hood says:—"For a medical man, especially for the young practitioner, it seems to be the business of his life to learn how to cure diseases. He enters upon his work full of enthusiasm, and armed, he thinks, in complete panoply of knowledge. He soon finds that he must allow for the presence of a new factor in his familiar problems; and that this factor is—the sick man. His school-work avails him little until he discovers that here, after all, is the essential element with which he has to deal; that the disease is but an accident, and that the man remains. When once this lesson has been mastered, he perceives that he had perchance mistaken the goal at which he should aim; and he addresses himself earnestly to the treatment of patients. I would fain hope that what I have written may sometimes help him in this undertaking."

Dr. Mortimer Granville says:—"We must conclude that the facts and data in connexion with gout are of a nature to render them available for the defence or demolition of almost any theory that can be broached. This is the truth; and because it is so, I say again to the practitioner, whose first concern it is to cure or relieve, hold to the clinical study of the disease, and treat your patient on principles of common sense, with the aid of what is certainly known, and with as little embarrassment from theories as the difficulties of the task and the multitude of counsellors may render possible. The aim of what I shall hereafter have to say on the subject will be to rescue the treatment of gout from theories as to its nature and causation, and to deal rather with the patient than with the disease."

The general meaning of this is, of course, that even if gout were shown beyond question to be a consequence of the defective action of some particular organ, it would none the less remain as a combined effect of this action, and of the reaction of the system as a whole with reference to it. In other words, it would always contain a personal or individual element; and this element must be duly considered in any question of treatment. If *a* and *b* are individuals, and *x* is the essential of gout, $a+x$ would still be different from $b+x$, and would require different treatment. By this sole consideration all supposed specifics or panaceas may be disposed of, and all vaunted "cures for gout" may be dismissed as unworthy of serious notice.

Certain classes of sufferers will derive still further comfort from the more evidence between the teachings of the two authors referred to. They are alike in recommending the use of port wine, matured in the wood, as a customary stimulant between the attacks. Dr. Hood says:—"Notwithstanding its bad reputation as a cause of gout, there is no more wholesome wine than genuine port, when it is well matured; and the chief fault which can be imputed to it is that of palatability, which renders people disposed to partake of it too liberally. The wine merchant will allege that long keeping in wood will deprive the wine of two of its most valued qualities—colour and flavour. This may be disputed, but it does not admit of doubt that wines so treated are far more wholesome than those which are bottled earlier. Two or three glasses daily of such wine will act as a grateful stimulant to the stomach, and will assist digestion; but a larger quantity will produce defective assimilation, and those who so exceed must not be surprised if they become the victims of gout."

Dr. Mortimer Granville says:—"Stimulants are almost always, I believe, necessary in cases of a gouty tendency, and during the intervals of the attacks I impose no restrictions except that all alcoholic beverages shall be taken with food, and that new or imperfectly fermented wines shall be avoided. Port which has been long enough in the wood to be thoroughly matured before bottling I regard as not only permissible, but to be recommended, particularly in the cases of those who are much subjected to mental worry, &c."

It may be gathered from other passages that the two authors also concur in the belief that the real or supposed injuriousness of alcoholic liquids in gout is not to be ascribed to the alcohol which they contain, but rather to some products of imperfect or incomplete fermentation; and it is good to be able to place on record their protest against the recommendation of intemperate abstinence, which has of late years found favour with certain classes of practitioners and of patients.

Dr. Robson Roose's volume has for its *raison d'être* a desire to emphasize the degree in which gout is dependent upon derangement of the liver, to which other symptoms are but secondary. In this view both the preceding writers are in accord with him, even if they do not give so much prominence to the doctrine; and it may be said, generally speaking, that the tendency of modern medicine is towards a close study of the functions and derangements of this most important organ, which a few years ago had been somewhat dethroned from the position in medical estimation which it held in the days of Abernethy and his school, and was neglected for a more accurate study of the action of nerve influences in the production of disease. There is always a risk when one class of considerations is brought into prominence by the progress of scientific discovery that others of equal significance may for a time be left out of account; but such inequalities are usually redressed, not only before long, but before any serious disadvantage can arise from them.

There is a good deal to be said both for and against the perusal of medical books by non-medical people; and any attempts to arrive at principles of self-treatment by such reading are almost invariably, and from the very nature of the questions involved, entirely unsuccessful. It is probable, nevertheless, that a knowledge of the principles, underlying gouty changes can do no harm to any one, and that it may do good to many, leading to more rational living than might otherwise prevail. At a time, moreover, when, in spite of the undoubted progress of the healing art, we still hear of the disagreements of doctors, it is satisfactory to find that three of them when discussing an important and very prevalent disease are in substantial agreement on nearly every point connected either with its causation, its prevention, or its cure.—*Times.*

THE FALL IN SILVER AND ITS INFLUENCE UPON THE WHEAT AND COTTON TRADES.

THE *St. James's Gazette* says:—The intelligence that reaches us of the effects of the fall in silver upon the Lancashire cotton trade is grievous. It is evident, indeed, that if the fall continues the consequences will be very serious. The principal markets for Lancashire cotton goods are in the far East, and every fall in silver lowers proportionately the price obtainable for English cotton in the far East. It is not possible to raise prices, because, owing to the climate, the natives simply diminish their purchases. Furthermore, if British merchants were to attempt to raise their prices they would give an enormous advantage to the manufacture in India. Consequently, the fall in prices, by increasing the competition of the Indian mills, in the first place, and, in the second, by sweeping away the profit previously existing upon the trade, threatens to destroy, or, at any rate, to greatly depress the principal branch of Lancashire's cotton trade. The first result, of course, must be a considerable reduction in wages. As orders fall off, mills must either be closed or wages must be greatly lowered. Probably both consequences will follow; but the ultimate result must be a great fall in the price of the raw material. Unless the price of the raw material is reduced as much as the fall in silver, it is quite clear that the trade of Lancashire must be disorganized. Therefore, if Congress agrees to repeal the Bland Act, it will depress enormously the price of cotton. It cannot be doubted that this will have a material weight with Congress in the discussion of the subject. The silver interest in the United States is intelligent enough to appreciate the situation, and when once it is made plain to the Southern planters that by repealing the Bland Act and continuing the great depreciation of silver they are lowering the price of their own great crop, it is hardly likely that they will support the repeal. Such being the case, it seems reasonable to infer that the fall in silver is going too far. It seems to be settled that, at the conference to be held next month, the Latin Union will be prolonged, at least for a time. The chief danger, therefore, that lies over the silver market is the agitation for the repeal of the Bland Act; but, as we have just been showing, the state of the cotton market is an extremely strong argument against that agitation, and the great increase in the Indian exports of wheat is another very strong argument.

THE *Saturday Review*, in the course of a long article on the fall of silver, also points out the advanced influence it is exercising over the Lancashire cotton trade, but it argues that there are countervailing advantages. The fall in silver, it says, has given a great stimulus to the export trade of India. The cutting of the Suez Canal, the construction of railways throughout India, and the fall in silver together have created a great export trade in wheat from India. Until a few years ago it was entirely impossible to export wheat from India to Europe, but in consequence of the combination of causes to which we have referred, the Indian wheat trade is now an extremely large one. In the first eight months of the current year we bought from the United States, as round figures, about 20 millions bushels of wheat; we bought from Russia about 7½ million bushels, and we bought from India about 6¾ million bushels. India, it will be seen, supplied nearly as much to us as Russia, and of late the Indian export has been largely increasing. In the week ended Tuesday night as much as 19,000 tons of wheat were exported from Bombay to Europe. This was an increase over the corresponding week of last year of 8,203 tons, or over 43 per cent. It may be, of course, that some exceptional cause led to this; but when we bear in mind that the price of wheat in Europe is considerably lower now than it was twelve months ago, we can but come to the conclusion that the fall in silver has not only made up for the fall in the price of wheat in Europe, but has actually benefited the Indian exporter more than he has been injured by the fall of wheat here in Europe. It is estimated, indeed, that if the value of the rupee were to fall permanently to 1*s.* 5*d.*, India would be able to supply the whole of Europe with all the wheat it requires. This may be perhaps an exaggerated view of the matter, but looking to the fact that India is now the third greatest exporter of wheat in the world, and that only a few years ago it exported no wheat, it would be rash to say that the estimate may not be based upon good data. And, as the depreciation of silver is thus stimulating the export of wheat, it is acting in a similar way upon the exports of all other raw produce and raw materials. Already, as we have shown above, India exports nearly as much wheat as Russia. If the value of the rupee were to remain permanently at 1*s.* 5*d.*, it is probable that she would beat Russia altogether, while good judges are of opinion that with the rupee at 1*s.* 5*d.*, she would be able to undersell even the United States. Leaving that, however, out of the question, it seems to be proved that with the rupee at 1*s.* 6*d.* India can undersell Russia in the wheat markets of Western Europe. But the wheat trade is of immense value to Russia. Not only do the Russian peasants raise their crops largely for sale to Western Europe, but also the Russian railways depend for a considerable part of their earnings upon that trade, and likewise the Russian ports derive to a considerable extent upon that trade their prosperity. The supplanting of Russia in the wheat markets of Western Europe by India, therefore, would inflict a serious blow upon the prosperity of that Empire. She has suffered greatly from being supplanted by the United States. If she is now practically driven out of the markets by India, her sufferings will be far greater. The peasants who find it difficult now to pay their taxes will find it still more difficult then. Poverty will increase and with it discontent, and thus it will be rendered less and less easy for the Government to carry on that aggressive policy which has so long kept the world in a perpetual ferment. The fall of the rupee is disadvantageous to the Indian Treasury, it is of great advantage to the Indian cultivators. By weakening Russia it also aids England in the coming struggle in Central Asia. Were we to put Lancashire and our own trade entirely out of the question, a dispassionate consideration would seem to lead to the conclusion that a permanent fall in the rupee would benefit India more than it would injure her. A permanent fall in the rupee, of course, would perpetuate the loss of the Government by exchange; but, as it would develop immensely the export trade in wheat, cotton, jute, and other articles, it would enormously increase the wealth of the country, and therefore would permit of an augmentation of taxation. And when once the limit of the fall would be reached in India even to Lancashire would be ended. Lancashire suffers chiefly because the fall is going on. If it were arrested, if at last the value of silver became stable, at no matter what point, prices would accommodate themselves to the new value, and after a while no doubt the Lancashire trade would recover its old prosperity. The manner in which this would be accomplished is not difficult to see. Owing to the nature of the climate the Indian population can do with very little clothing; and were the Lancashire merchants, therefore, to attempt to raise the price of cotton they would lead probably to such a diminution in the consumption of cotton goods as would defeat the object, and at the same time they would give the cotton mills of Bombay such an advantage over them as would aggravate their present embarrassments. Lancashire, therefore, cannot reasonably hope to make up its loss through the depreciation of silver by raising the price of cotton goods in India.

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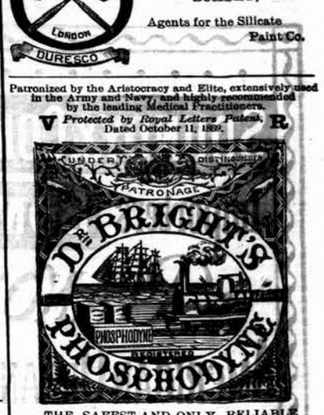

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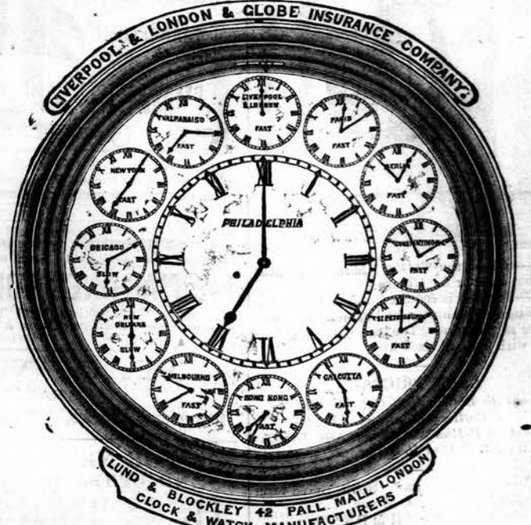

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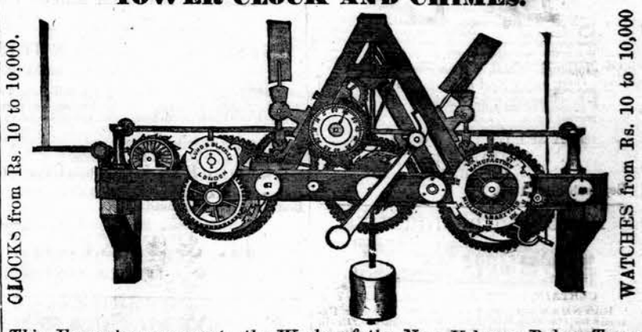

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